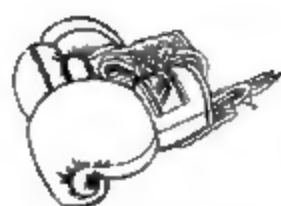


# はじめての**一歩** THE FIGHTING!



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森川ジョージ

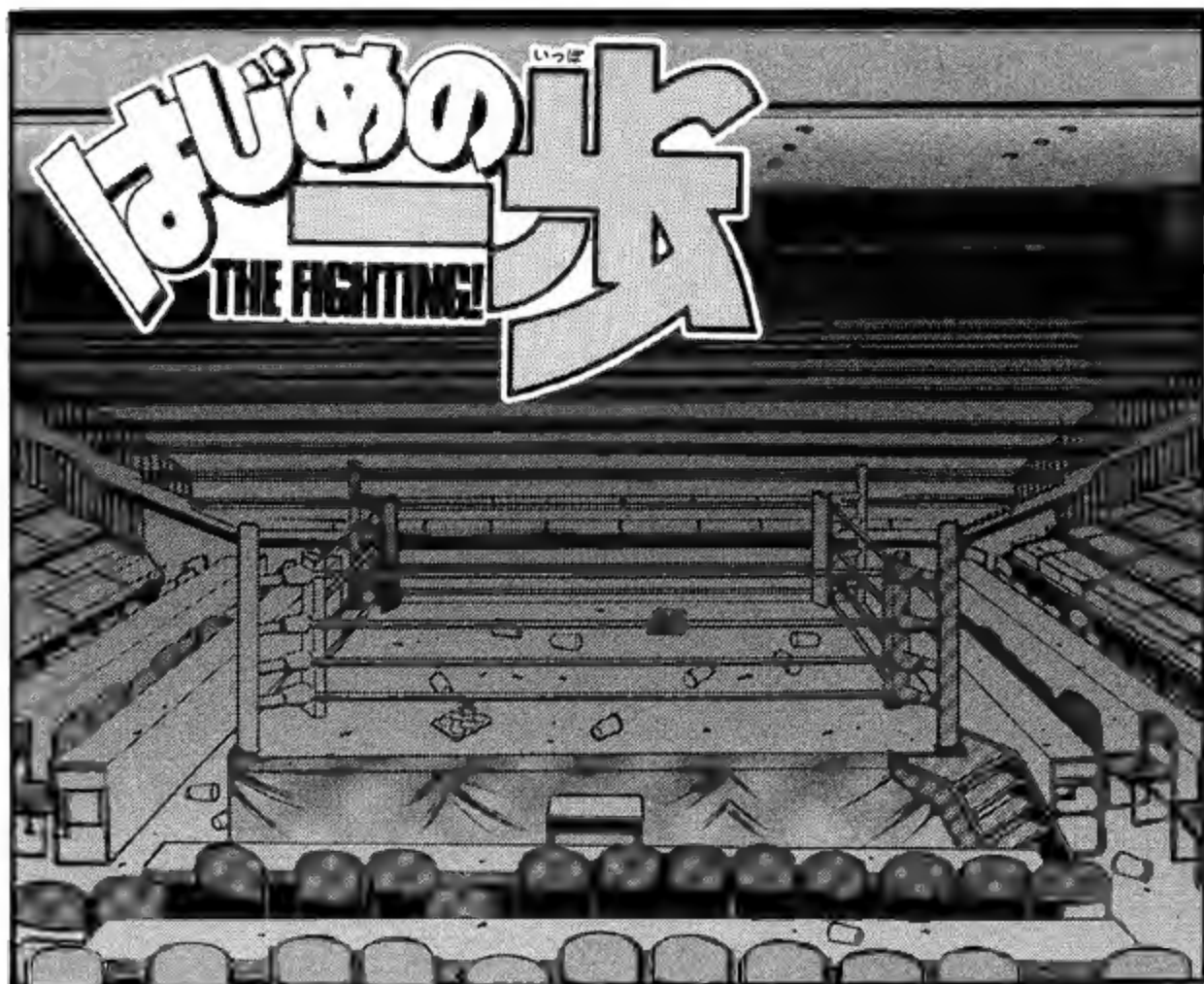


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**Championship  
Commemoration Sale**

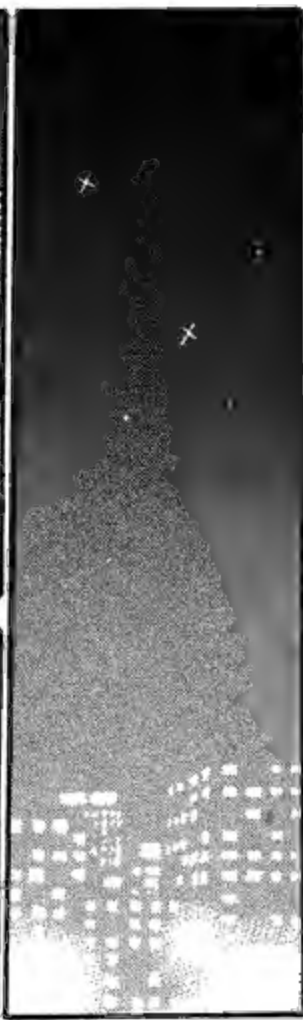


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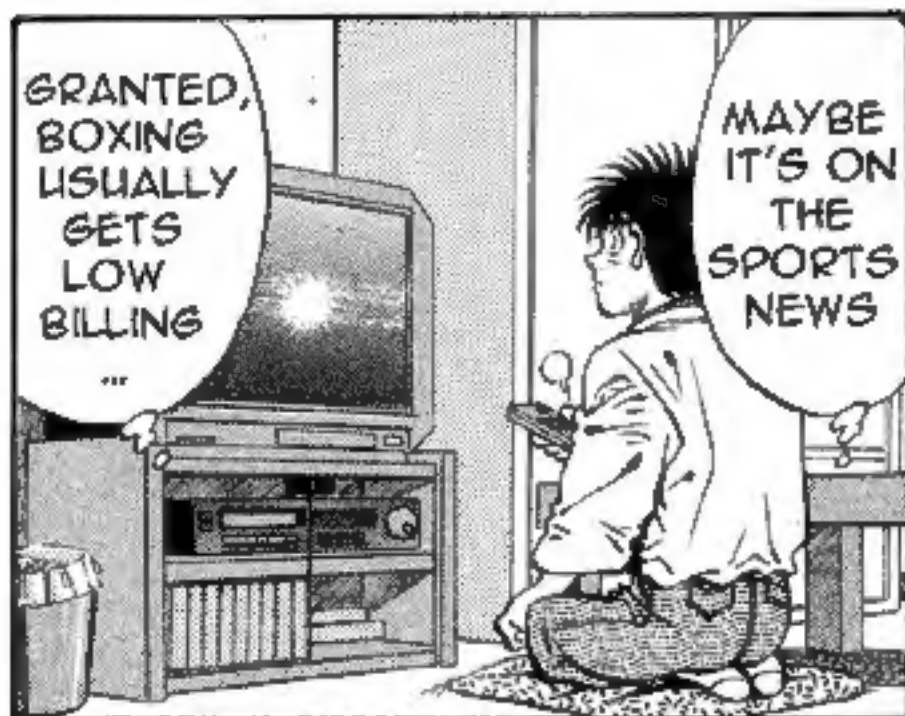




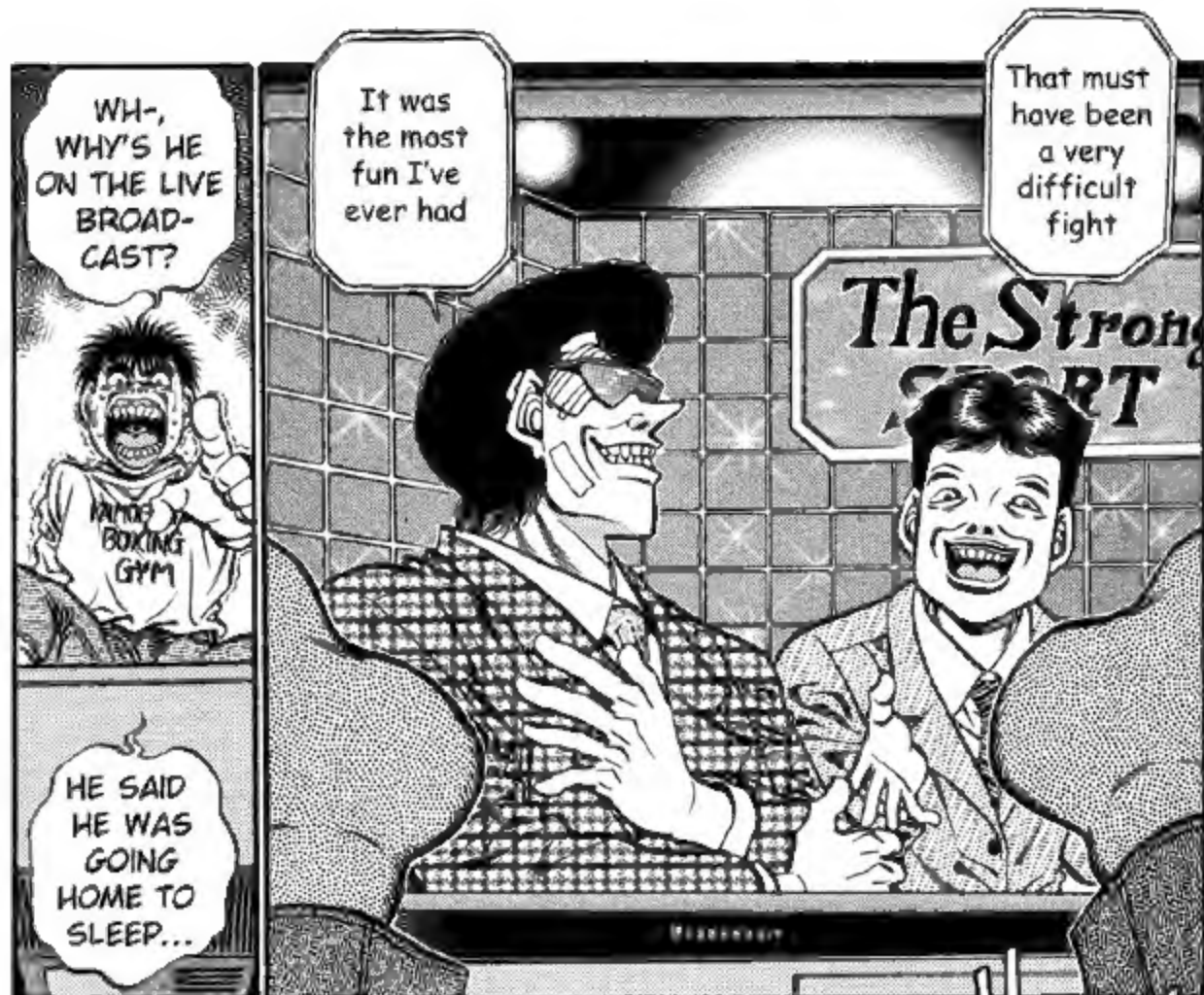




ED: IT ALMOST SOUNDS LIKE HE'S IN LOVE :P







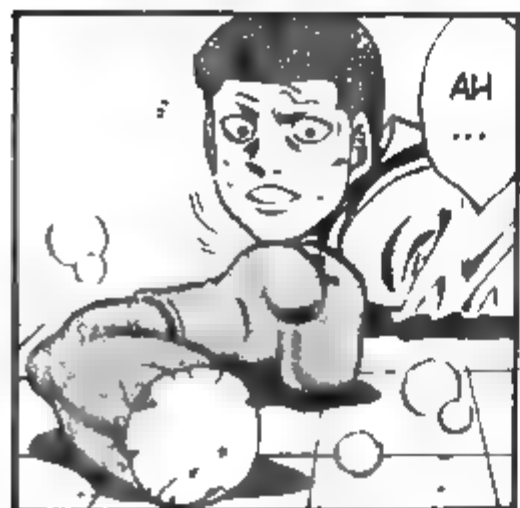
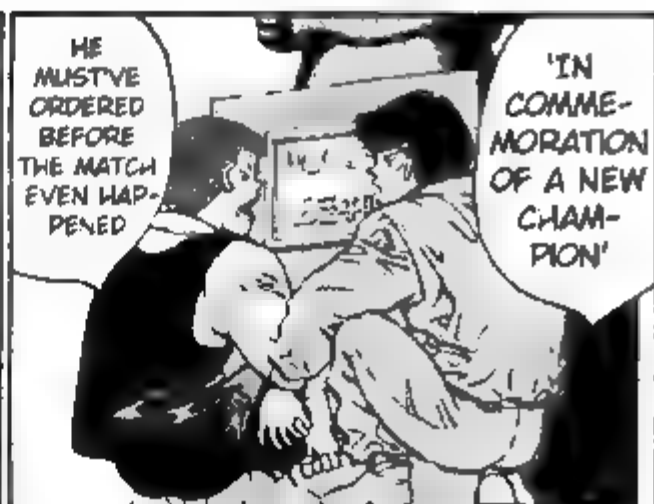
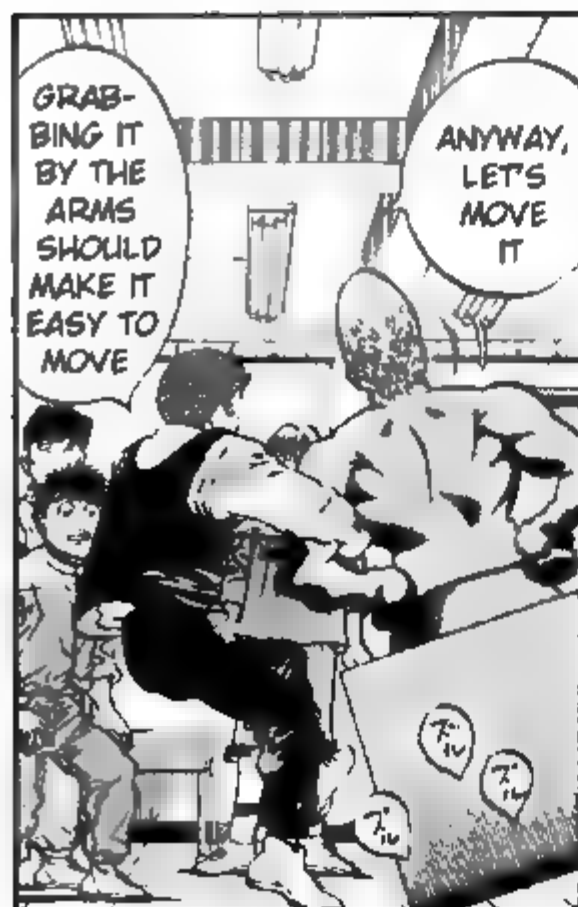
















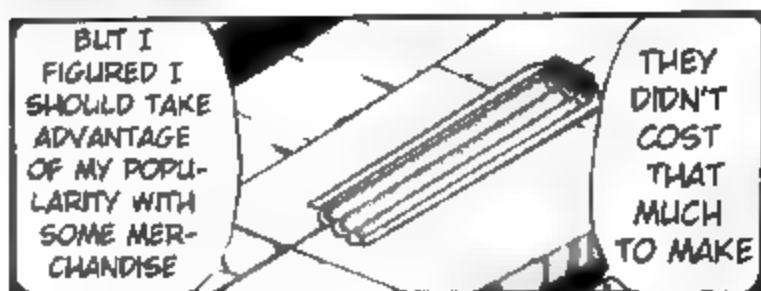








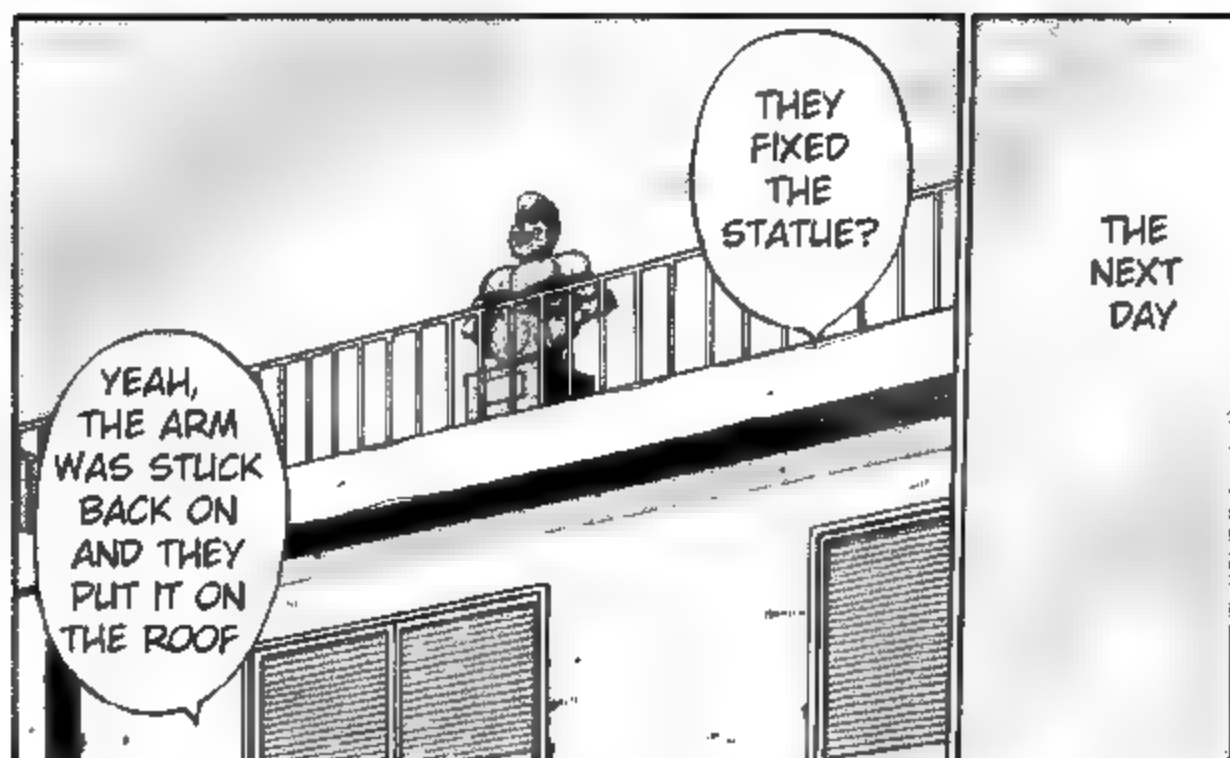












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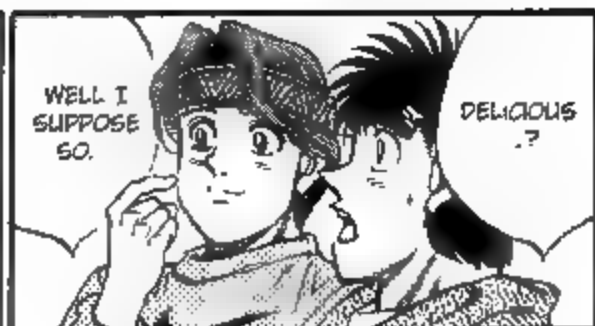
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OVER AND  
OVER

I WANNA  
TASTE THAT  
MOMENT...



I'LL KEEP  
GOING  
AS LONG  
AS I'M  
THE BEST

FOR THAT,  
I'LL KEEP  
BOXING



WAAH

I'M  
SORRY

DON'T  
LOOK  
DOWN  
ON THE  
ONIGIRI



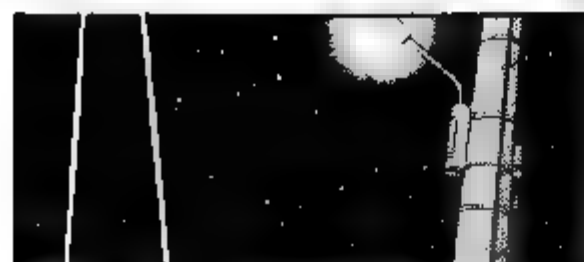
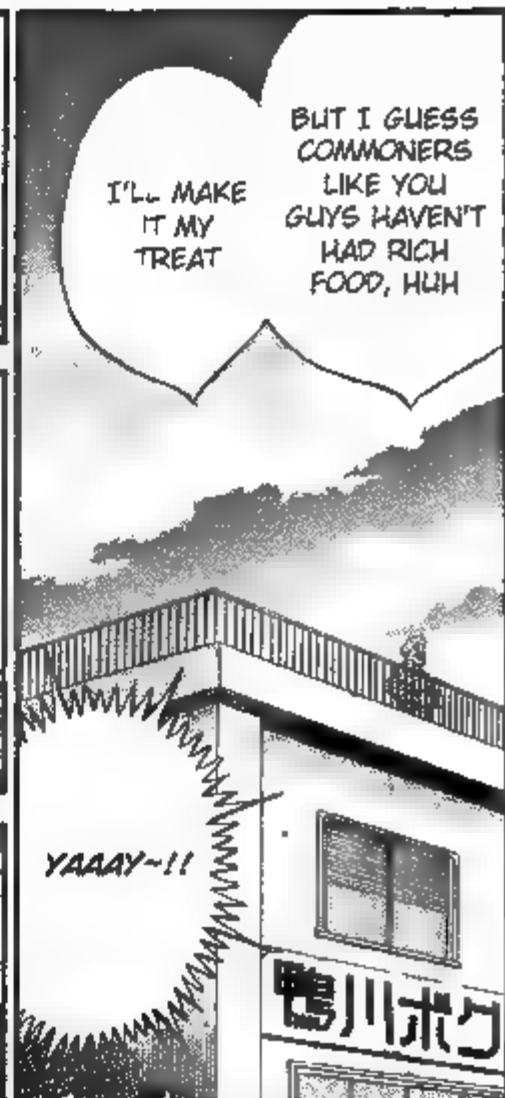
IT'S  
JUST AN  
ONIGIRI,  
AFTER  
ALL

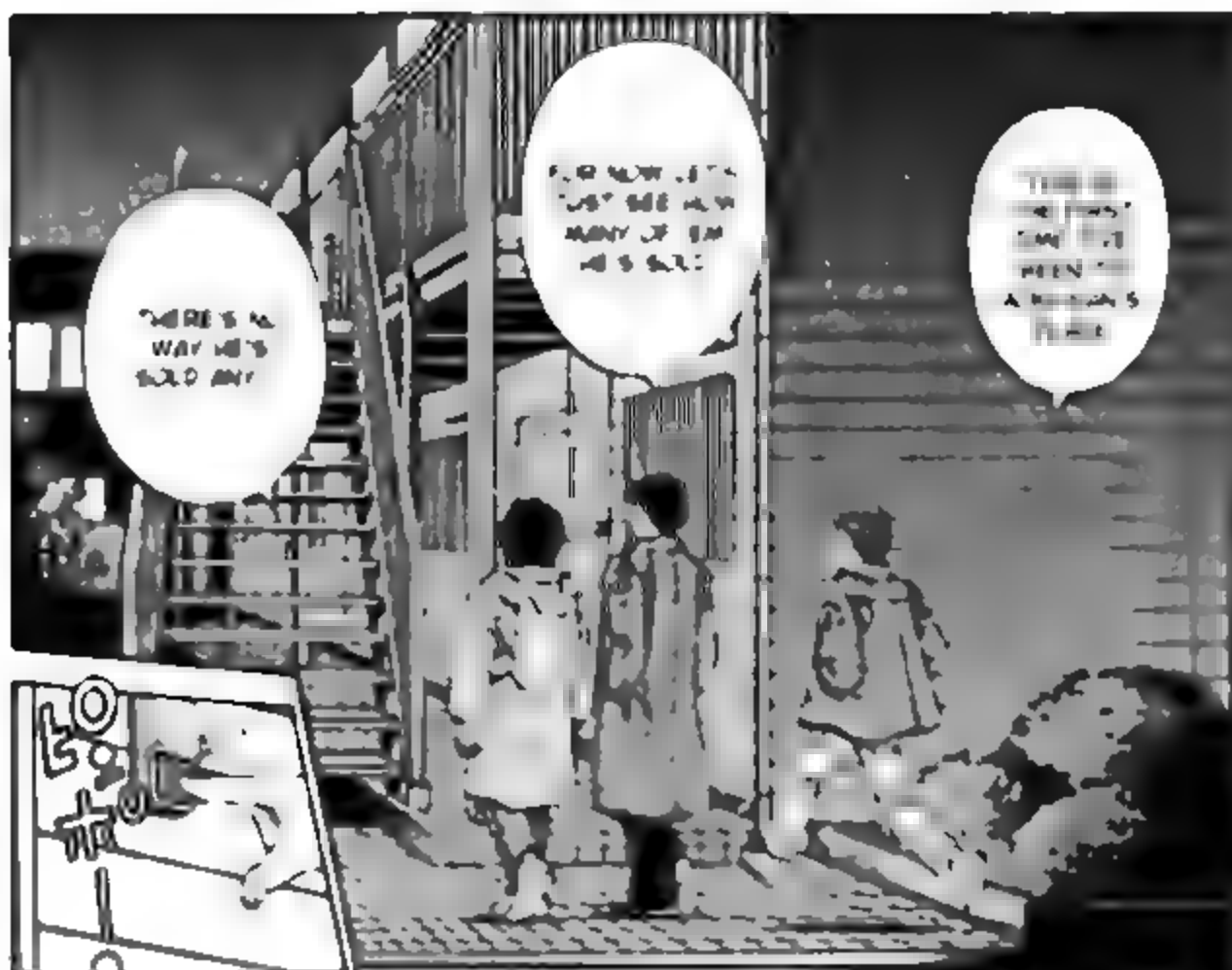
WELL,  
I GUESS  
IT SUITS  
HIM

BUT WOW,  
AN ONIGIRI  
REPRE-  
SENTING  
THE WORLD  
CHAMPION-  
SHIP

<NOTE THE JAPANESE IS 'TAKAGA  
ONIGIRI' SO JUST AN ONIGIRI', BUT  
TAKA IS ALSO 'HAWK' SO IF YOU  
WANNA READ IT A DIFFERENT WAY  
,IT'S 'TAKA (HAWK TAKAMURA) IS AN  
ONIGIRI' YAY FOR PUNS>





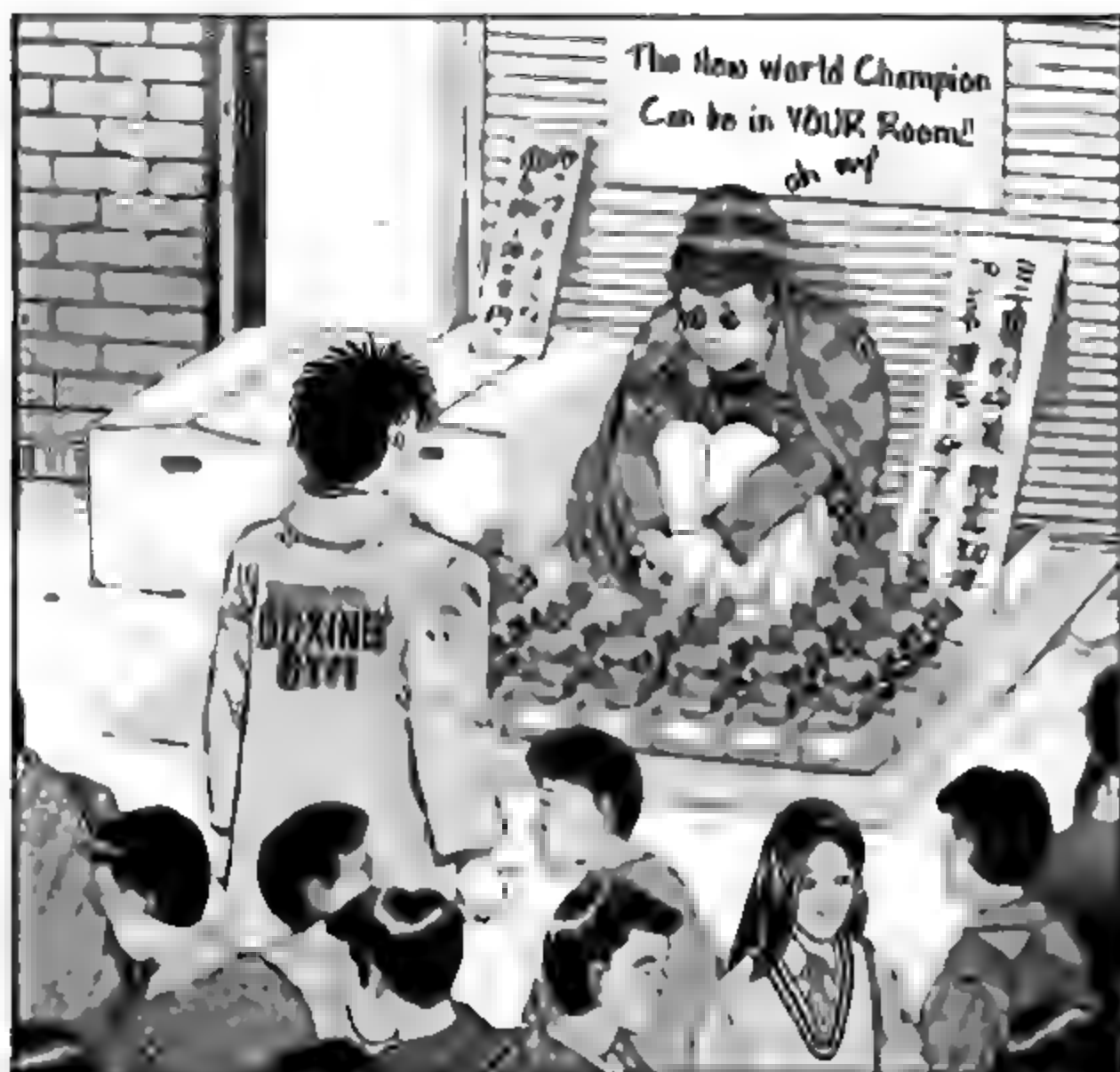




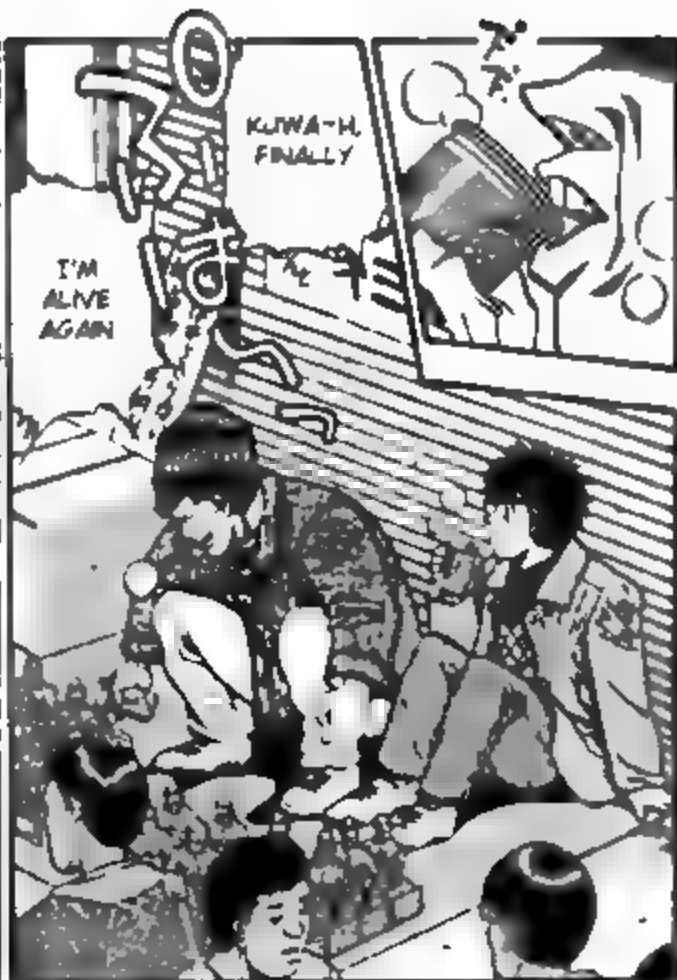














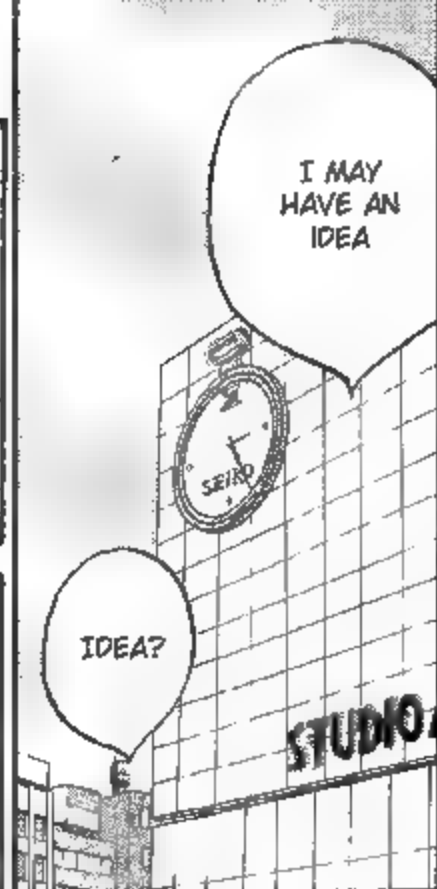


A... AND  
YOU  
THOUGHT  
OF?



WHY HE'S  
ACTING  
LIKE THIS  
NOW

I WAS  
THINKING ABOUT  
WHAT KEEPS  
TAKAMURA-SAN  
IN HIS PLACE



I MAY  
HAVE AN  
IDEA

IDEA?



IT'S BECAUSE  
THE COACH  
ISN'T HERE!!



Eh!?

I ASKED  
YAGI-SAN  
BEFORE I  
LEFT!



PLUS I  
DON'T  
KNOW  
WHERE TO  
FIND HIM..

I  
THOUGHT  
OF THAT,  
TOO  
BUT HE  
HASN'T  
SHOWN  
HIS FACE  
SINCE THE  
FIGHT



WHY  
DIDN'T  
I THINK  
OF THAT

LET'S GO,  
LET'S GO!  
LET'S GO  
RIGHT NOW!!

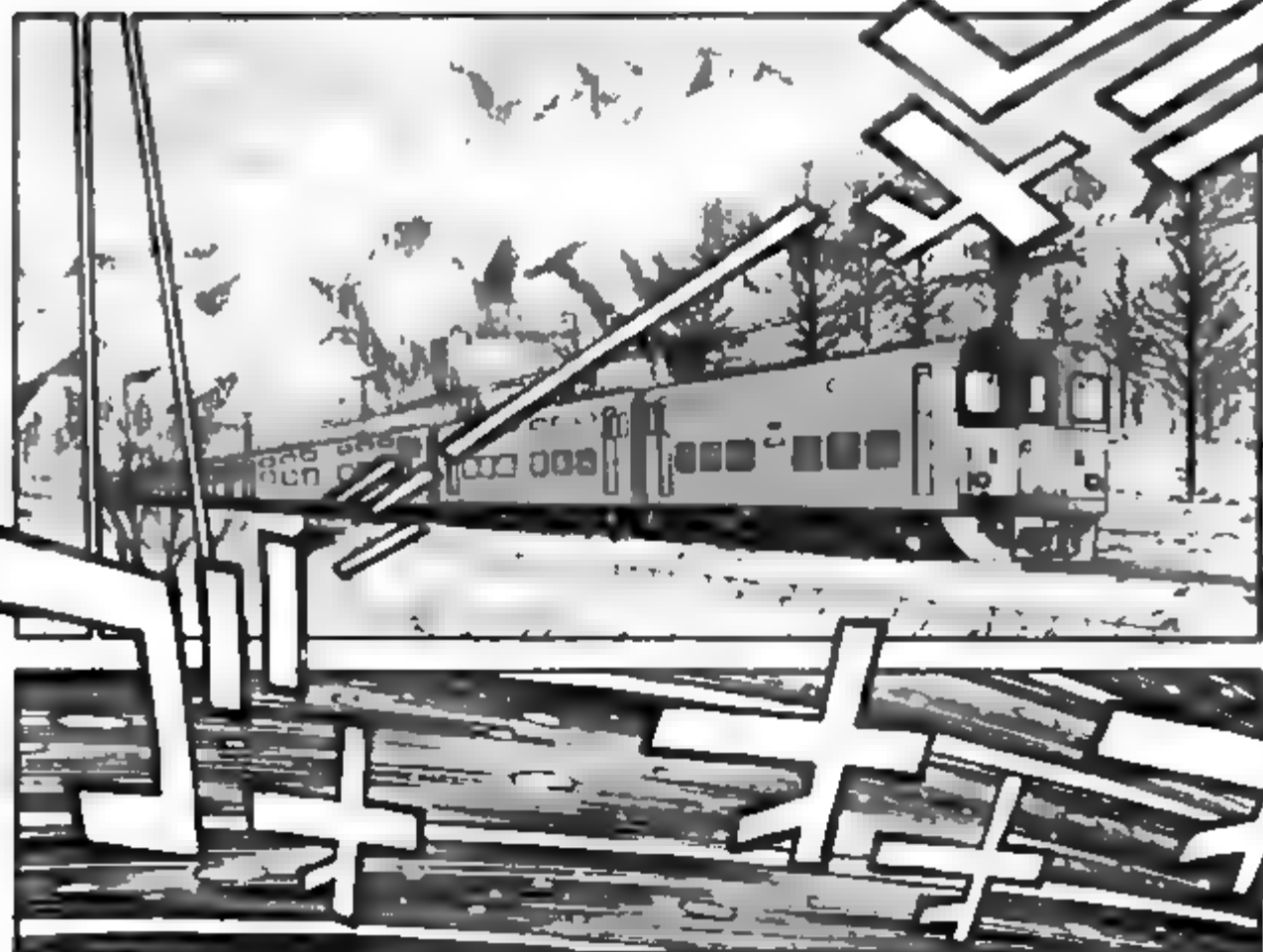
HE'S  
WITH  
NEKOTA-  
SAN..



IT'S ALL  
ON ME

NO PROBLEM,  
I SOLD 2  
OF THE MINI-  
TAKAMURA  
STATUES

BUT IT'S  
FAR AWAY,  
IT'D COST A  
LOT OF MONEY  
TO GET THERE





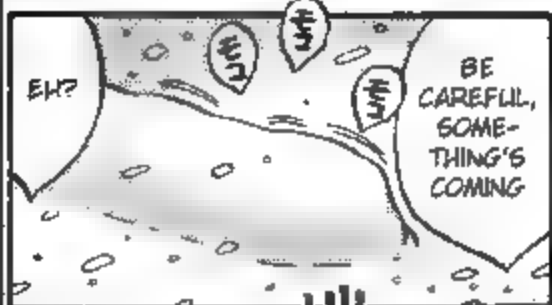


UWAAAHI!  
IT'S A  
BEAR

BEAR?



HN...



EH?

BE  
CAREFUL,  
SOME-  
THING'S  
COMING



YOU  
TRAITOR

PLEASE  
DON'T  
LEAVE ME  
HERE



... THEN  
THAT  
MEANS

PENSION  
YOSHIO...?



FORGIVE  
ME,  
IPPON!

UWAAAHI,  
IT GOT  
ME

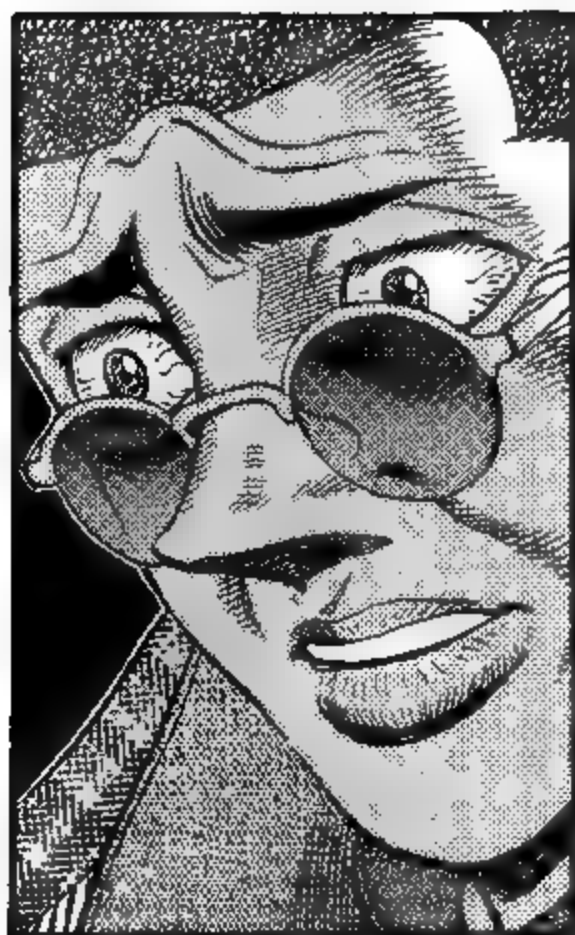


OWAH





# はじめての一步



# はじめての THE FIGHTING 一歩



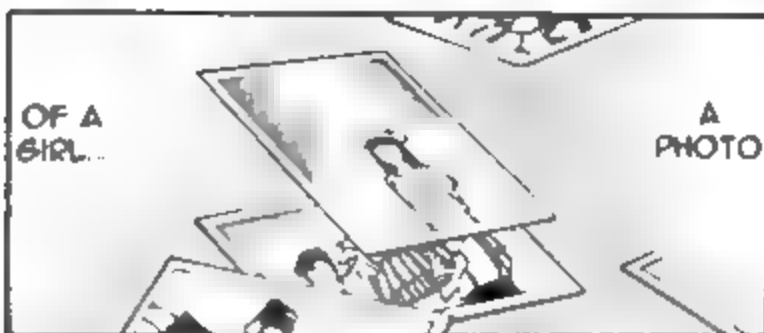
Round 100

Long Time Ago

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TRANS: SHOOTY  
EDITS: SILEXES









SHE'S SO  
PRETTY...



BUT

MM  
MM

I CAN  
SEE NO  
ONE  
OTHER  
THAN MY  
GIRL

KEH I  
DOUBT  
IT'S  
ANYTHING  
WORTH  
LOOKING  
AT



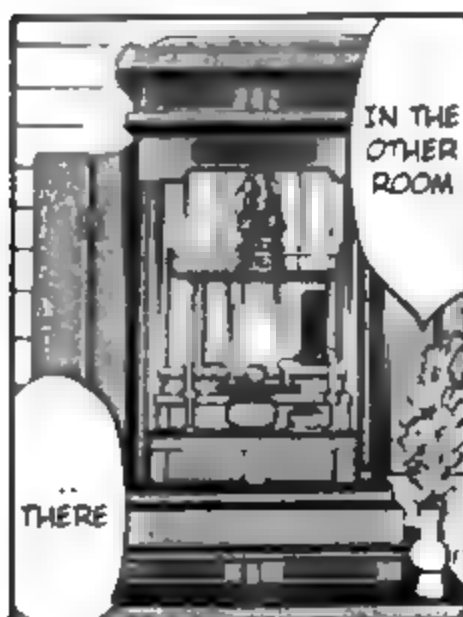
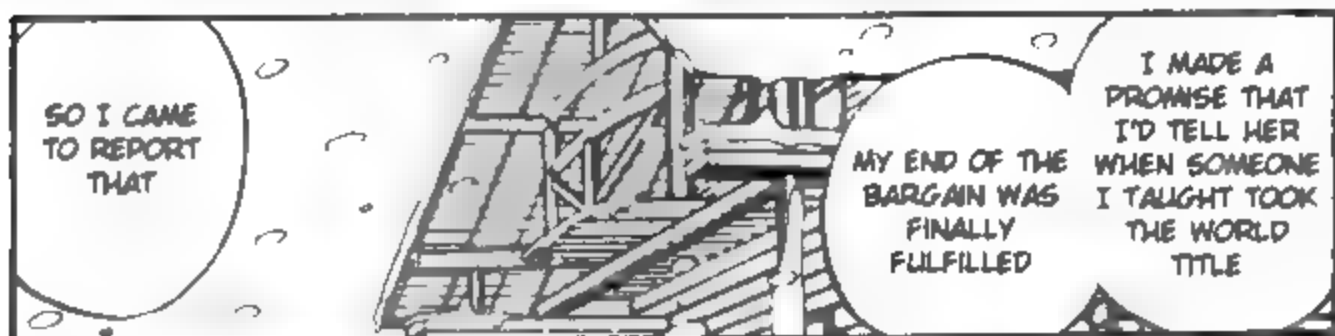
HEY DON'T  
GO AROUND  
LOOKING AT  
WOMEN'S  
PICTURES!  
I'LL TELL  
KUAN-CHAN  
ON YOU

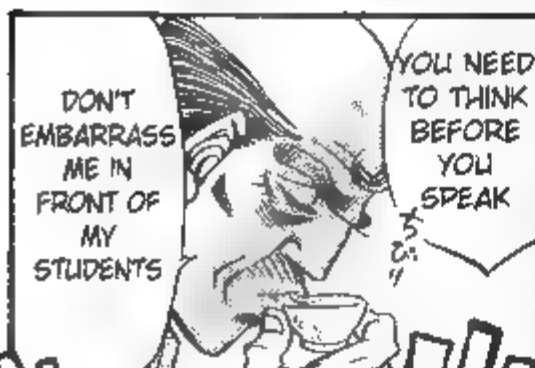
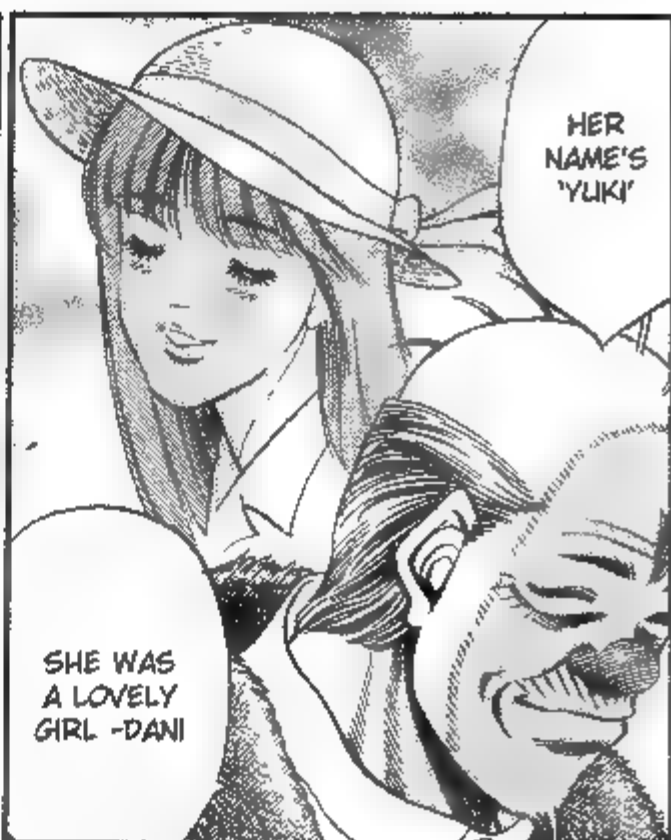


MAYBE  
THEY KNOW  
HER FROM  
SOME-  
WHERE?

BASING IT  
ON LOOKS  
SHE CAN'T  
BE RELATED  
TO THE  
COACH OR  
NEKOTA-SAN

N- NO I  
WAS JUST  
WONDERING  
WHO IT  
WAS







THESE  
TWO'RE  
DEMONS  
...

A, A  
COUPLE  
OF GOLDEN  
OLDIES  
JUST BEAT  
UP THE  
JAPANESE  
CHAMPION

UWA  
AAA  
AAH



COULD  
YOU  
TELL  
US  
MORE?

ABOUT  
WHEN THE  
TWO OF YOU  
WERE  
YOUNG--



IN  
FRONT  
OF  
YUKI-  
SAN!?

SH-,  
SHOULD  
YOU TWO  
REALLY BE  
FIGHTING!?



NOW,  
JUST  
CALM  
DOWN



HH...

HM...



ABOUT THE  
ERA YOU  
TWO CAME  
FROM

WE DON'T  
KNOW  
ANYTHING



HMM  
...



I'D LIKE  
TO HEAR  
ABOUT  
POST-  
WORLD  
WAR 2  
BOXING,  
TOO

OOOH,  
NOT A  
BAD IDEA







BECAME  
A  
REALITY



MY  
DREAMS



THAT'S  
HOW I  
SAW IT  
-DANIYO

WHAT-  
EVER



I WASN'T  
THE ONE  
WHO TOOK  
IT



WHEN  
I SAW  
GEN-CHAN  
TAKE THE  
WORLD!

I GOT  
NUMB,  
DESPITE  
MY AGE  
-DANI



ACTUALLY  
FOUGHT AN  
AMERICAN  
AFTER THE  
WAR ENDED?

THE  
COACH  
...



RELAX, IT  
WASN'T A  
WORLD TITLE  
MATCH OR  
ANYTHING OF  
THE SORT



THERE'S NO  
WAY I  
COULDN'T  
THINK BACK  
TO YOU,  
GEN-CHAN

SEEING  
TAKAMURA  
FIGHT THAT  
AMERICAN

30/10/07

BUT WHEN I  
CLOSE MY  
EYES, I CAN  
SEE IT ALL  
CLEARLY...

MAYBE MY  
COACH IS  
EVEN MORE  
INCREDIBLE  
THAT I  
FIRST  
THOUGHT...

SUD-  
DENLY  
I'M  
EVEN  
MORE  
INTER-  
ESTED

IT MAY SOUND  
LIKE NOTHING  
BUT A STORY  
OF THE PAST

FOR  
YOUNG  
PEOPLE  
LIKE YOU

EVERYONE  
TRYING TO GET  
BACK THEIR  
LIVES THROUGH  
THE RECON-  
STRUCTION

THE  
JAPANESE  
PEOPLE  
STANDING  
TALL DESPITE  
IT ALL

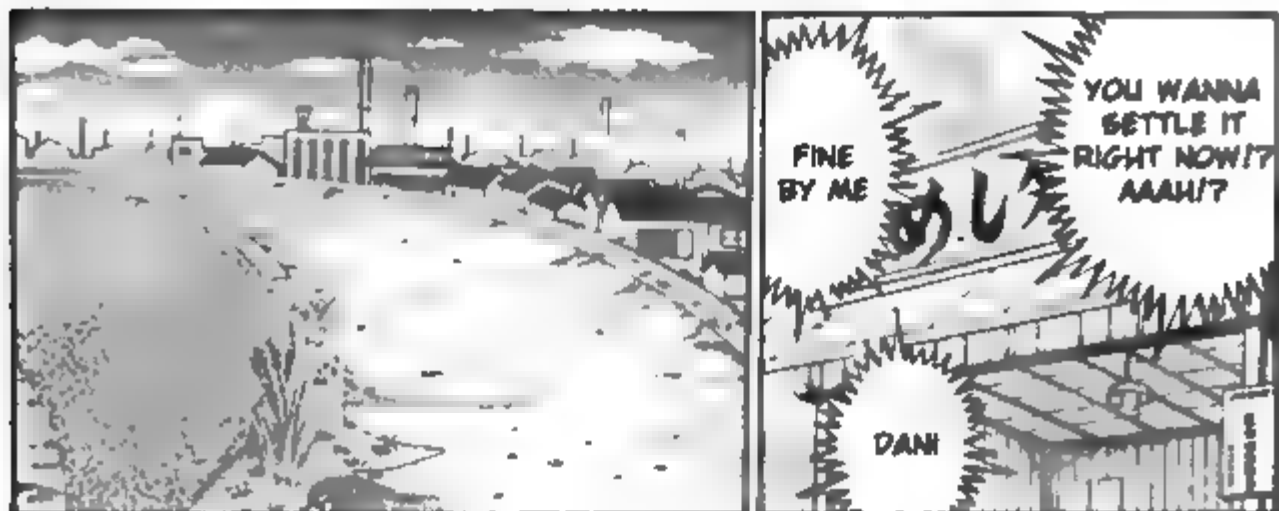
THE SHOCK  
OF LOSING  
THE WAR-

A  
HEATED  
ERA

IT WAS...















IT WAS SO DAMAGED YOU COULDN'T EVEN TELL WHAT IT WAS

AND LITTLE BY LITTLE, THE LIFE STARTED COMING BACK



I WANT TO GIVE PEOPLE COURAGE

I'VE SPENT THE PRIDE OF MY LIFE TRAINING

SO I WANT TO KEEP FIGHTING AS LONG AS I CAN -DAN



THEY MAY BE USING THE FIGHTERS TO RELIEVE THEIR OWN STRESS

I CAN FEEL THE ENTHUSIASM OF THE PEOPLE COMING TO WATCH THE FIGHTS -DAN



YEAH



IF THAT'S TRUE IT MAKES ME PROUD

SO WE'RE TAKING A PART IN THE RECONSTRUCTION TOO



I'M  
WOR-  
RIED

HE'S GOT  
A WEAK  
JAW


DANKICHI HAS  
ANOTHER  
FIGHT TODAY,  
RIGHT?



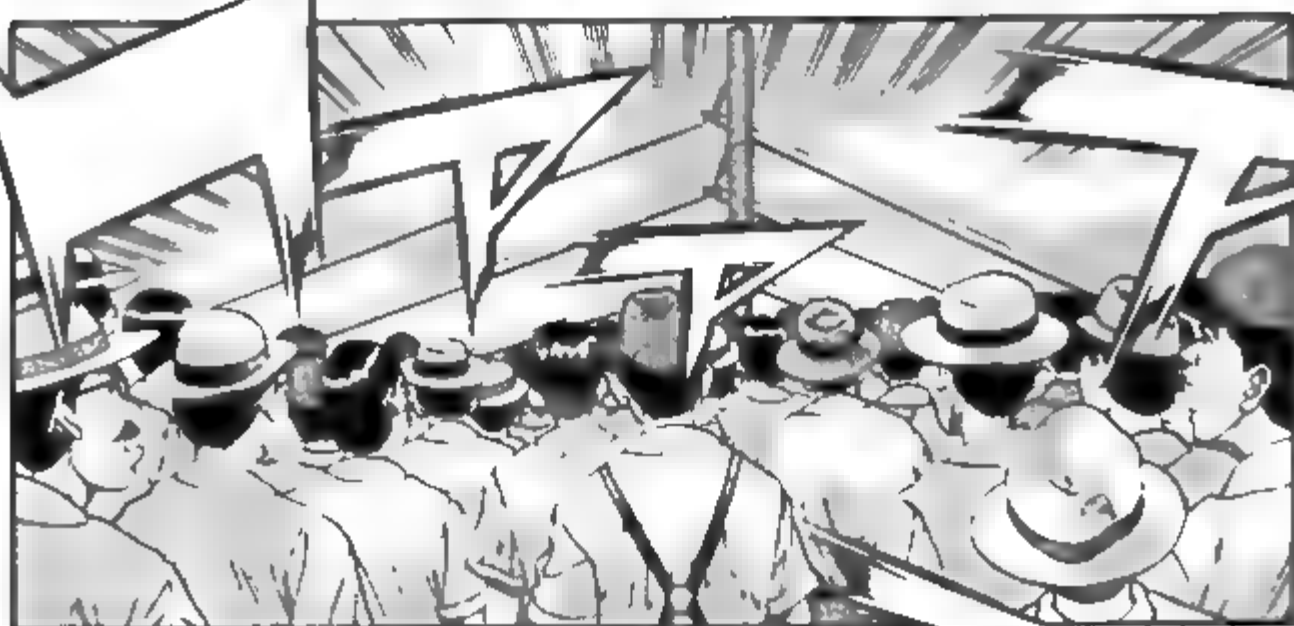
TRUE

HE WON'T  
LOSE TO  
ANYONE WHO  
ISN'T BETTER  
THAN US  
-DANI

NO NEED TO BE  
-DANI,  
DANKICHI'S  
BOXING IS LIKE  
AN ART FORM  
-DANI



I DON'T  
KNOW WHO  
HE'S  
FIGHTING,  
THOUGH  
-DANI

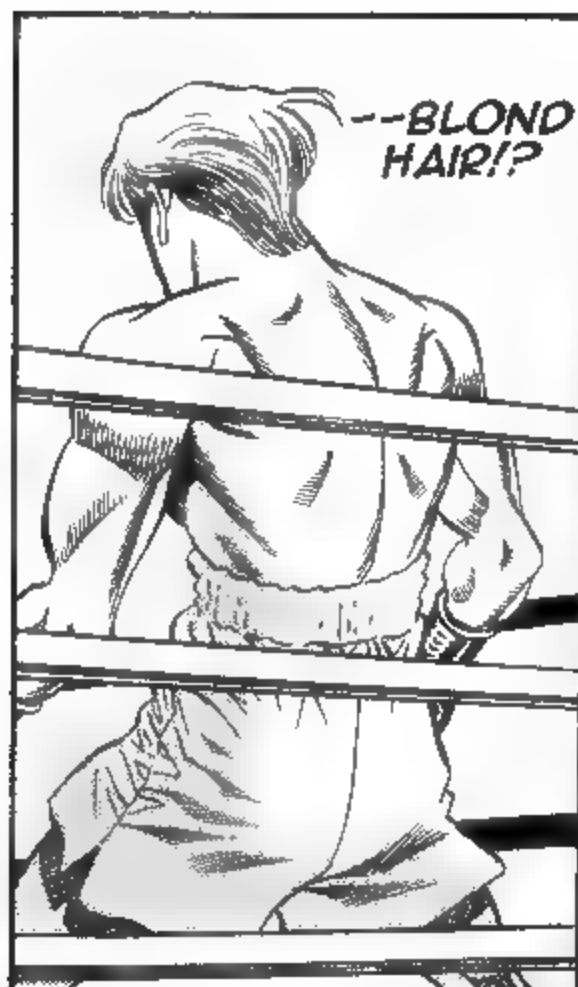


DID  
DANKICHI  
ALREADY  
WIN

WHY'S  
EVERYONE SO  
WILD TODAY?!



PLEASE  
LET ME  
THROUGH



# はひめの一步







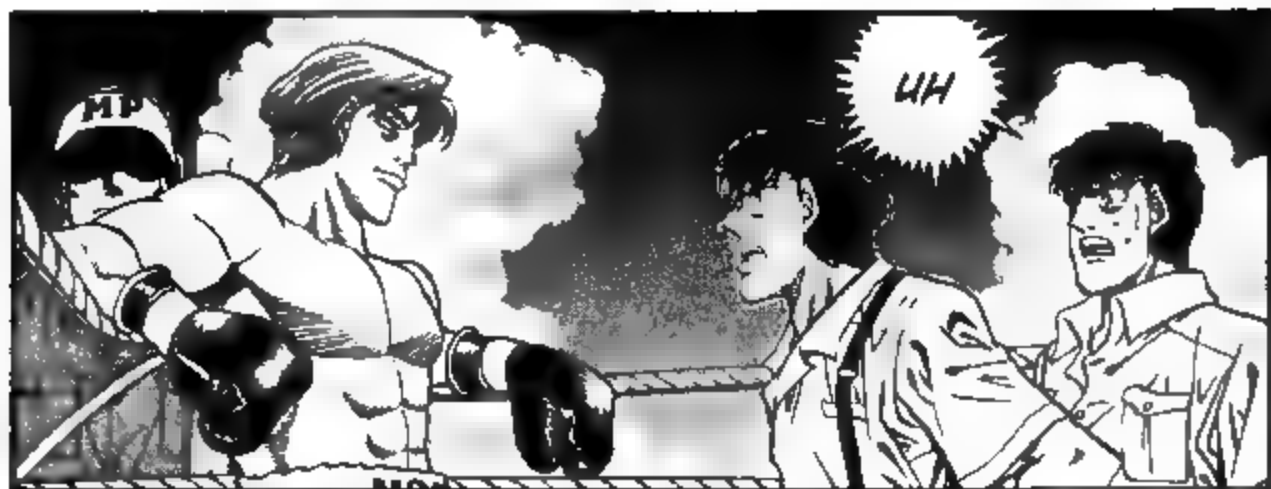
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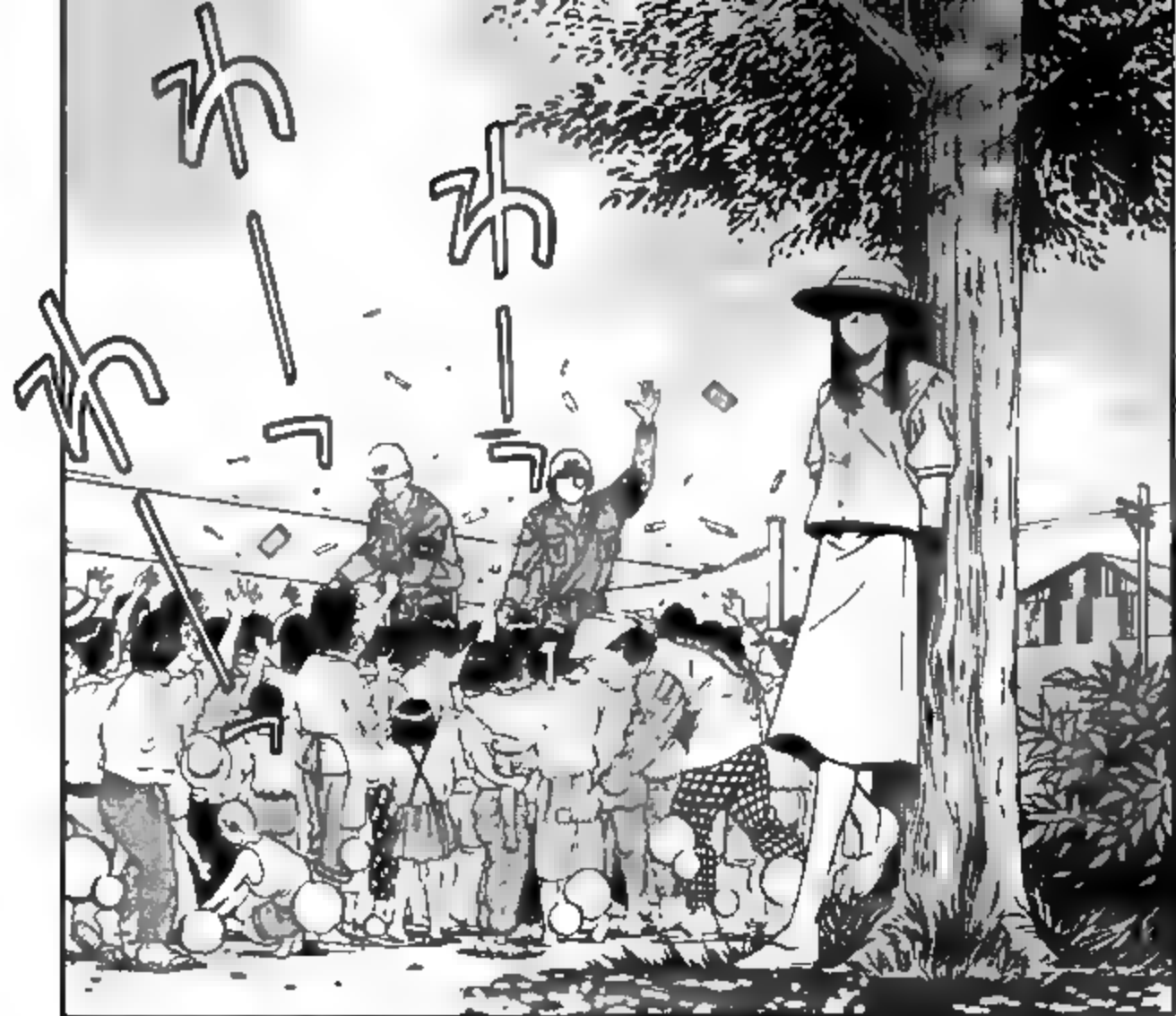
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**'Prize Fighting' and 'Boxing'**



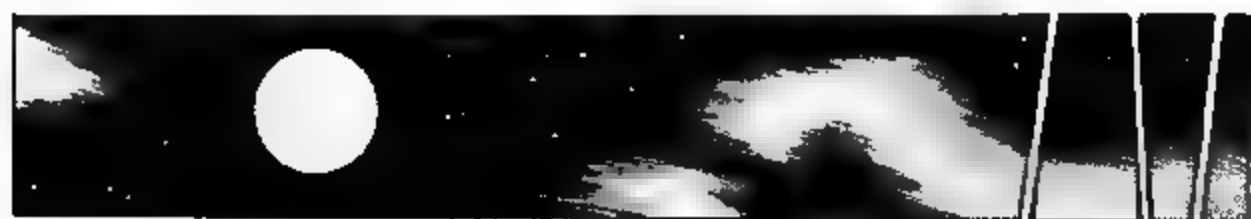








MY  
JAPANESE  
PRIDE



BUT STILL,  
I NEVER  
THOUGHT  
HE'D BE  
BEATEN  
SO EASILY

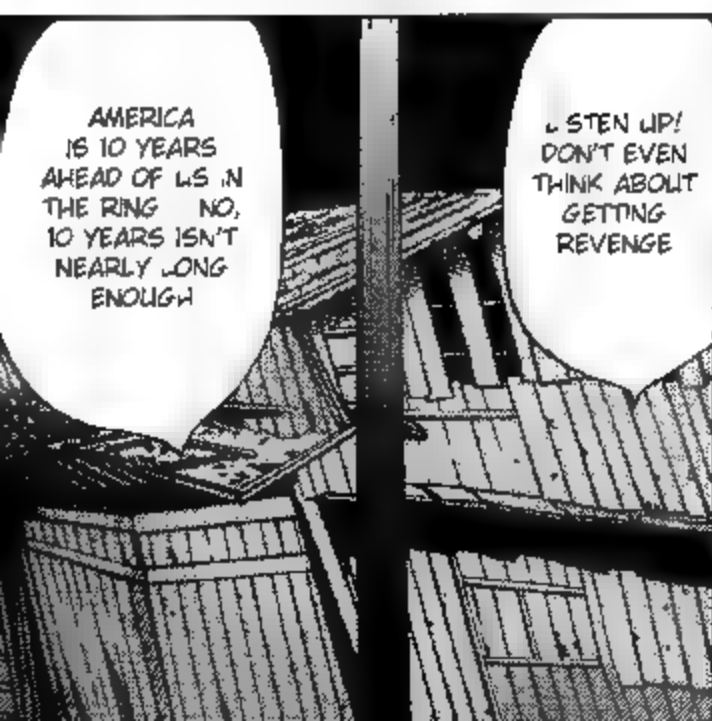
BEING  
BAD AT  
TAKING  
DAMAGE  
SAVED  
HIM



YEAH, GOOD  
THING HE FELL  
DOWN FROM  
ONE PUNCH  
-DANI

IT'S GOOD  
NOTHING'S  
SERIOUSLY  
WRONG WITH  
DANKICHI!







I WANT TO  
SEE JUST HOW  
FAR MY FISTS  
CAN TAKE ME

OUR COUNTRY MAY  
NOT BE SUPREME,  
BUT THAT DOESN'T  
NECESSARILY  
HOLD TRUE FOR  
US AS INDIVIDUALS

THE  
WORLD  
IS  
HUGE

FOR THAT, I'M  
WILLING TO DO  
ANYTHING

BOXING  
...!!

IF I  
WANT TO  
BECOME  
STRONGER  
THAN I  
ALREADY  
AM

I BELIEVE  
THAT I MUST  
STUDY THAT  
TO ACHIEVE IT

BUT I DID  
MANAGE TO  
FIND HOPE  
-DANI

NEK-  
OTA

I WILL  
DEFEAT  
HIM MY  
OWN WAY  
-DANI!

I WON'T  
BOW  
DOWN TO  
AMERICA  
-DANIYO

HOPE?

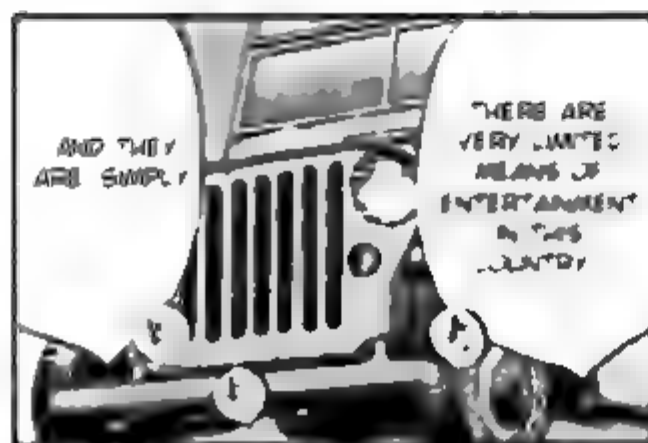
I KNOW  
-DANI, TODAY  
I LOST MY  
HEAD -DANI















NEKOTA



AH-GAH



TWO LEFTS! HE USED THEM TO STOP THE OPPONENT, THEN JUDGE THE DISTANCE

THEN A RIGHT STRAIGHT!!



!!

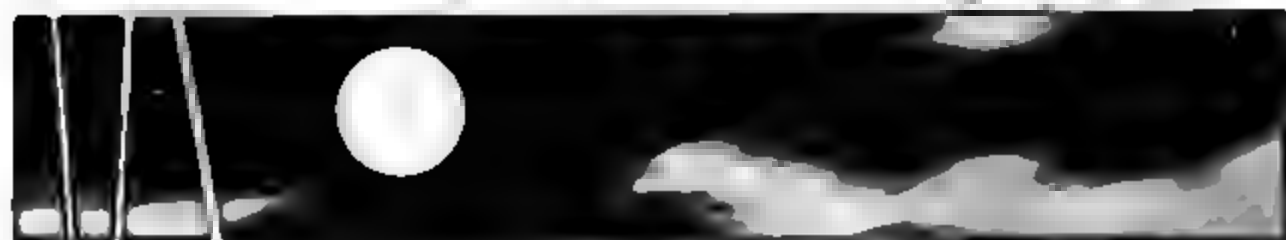
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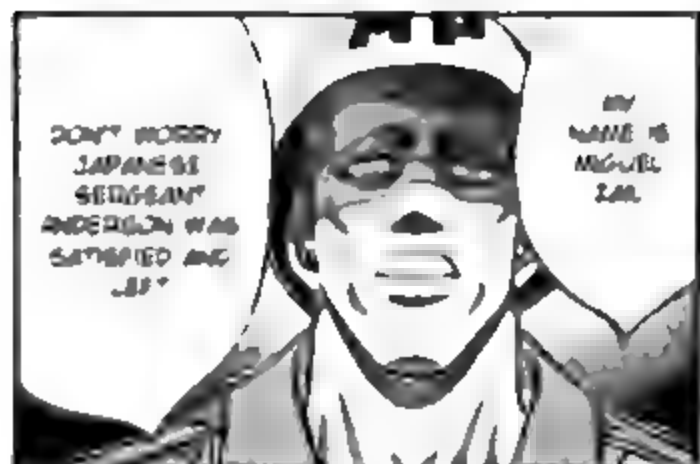
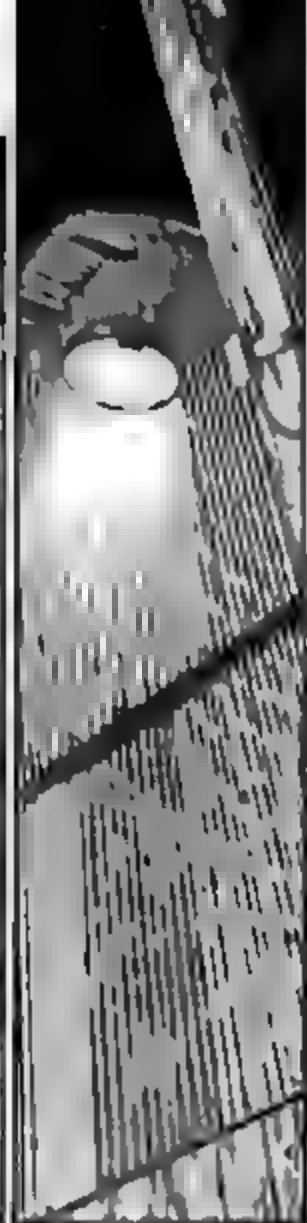


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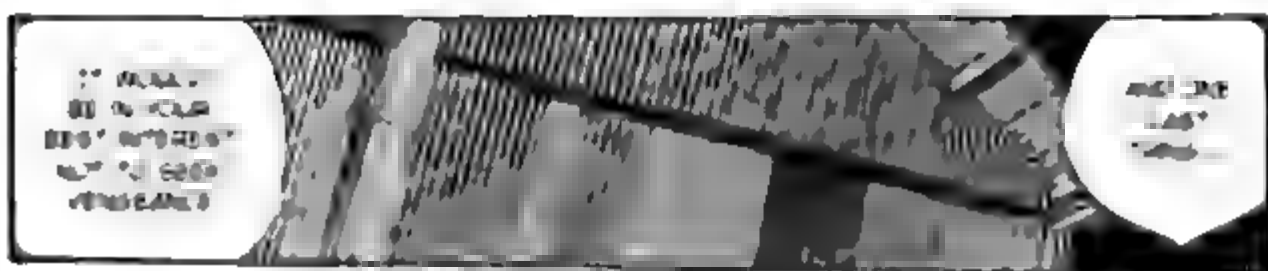
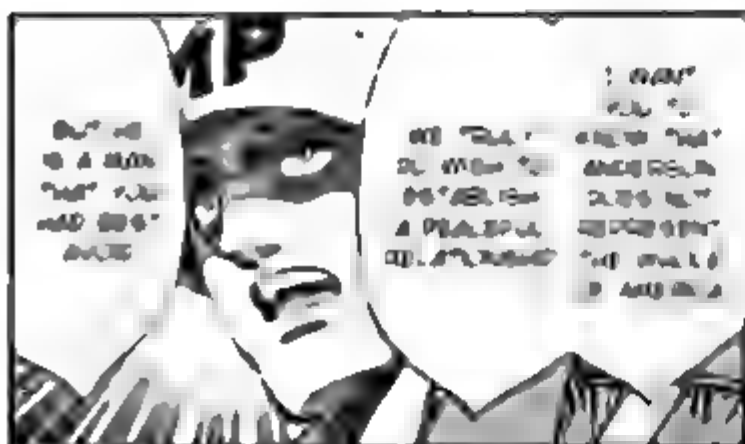
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(NOTE: ANYONE REMEMBER THAT NAME FROM SOMEWHERE?)







# はじめての一步





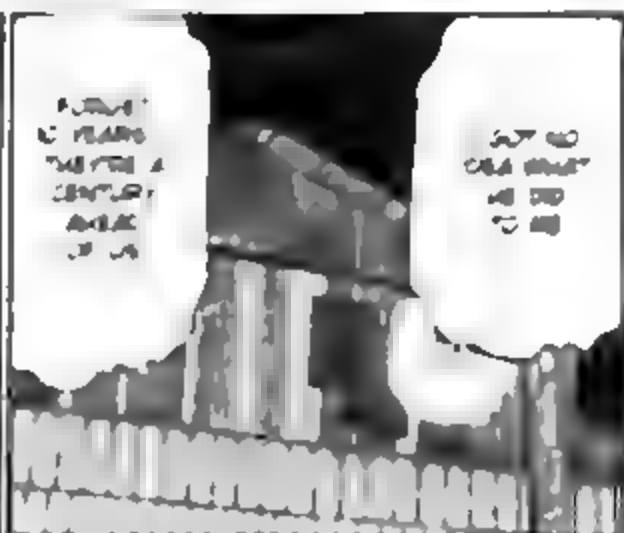
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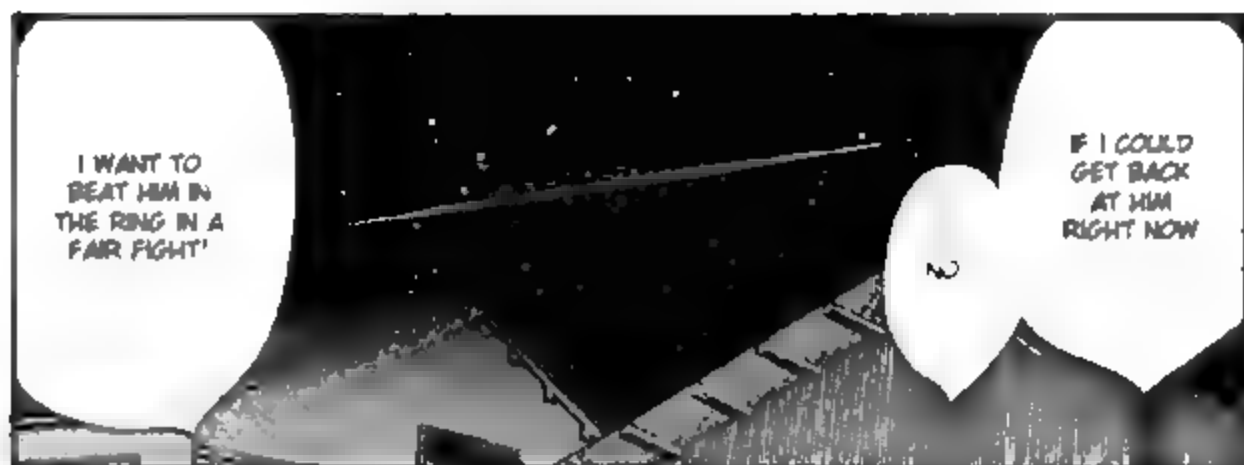
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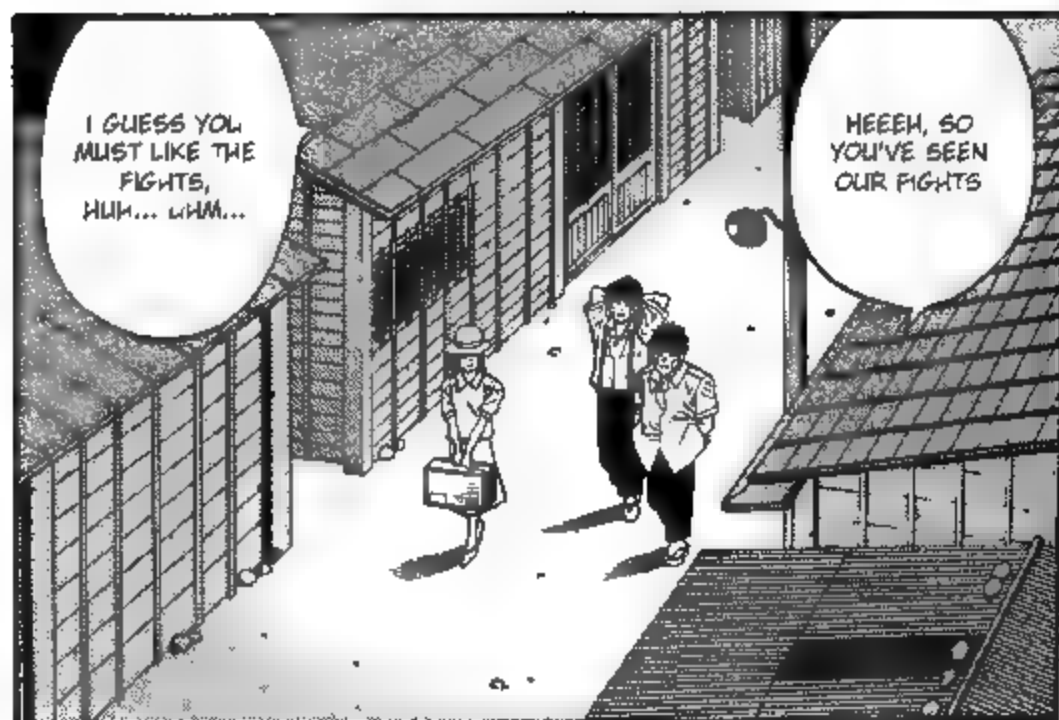
Curious  
Cohabitation











I GUESS YOU  
MUST LIKE THE  
FIGHTS,  
HUH... UHM...

HEEH, SO  
YOU'VE SEEN  
OUR FIGHTS



YOU'RE BOTH  
AMAZING I'M A BIG  
FAN OF THE  
FIGHTS,

MY NAME  
IS YUKI



BUT..

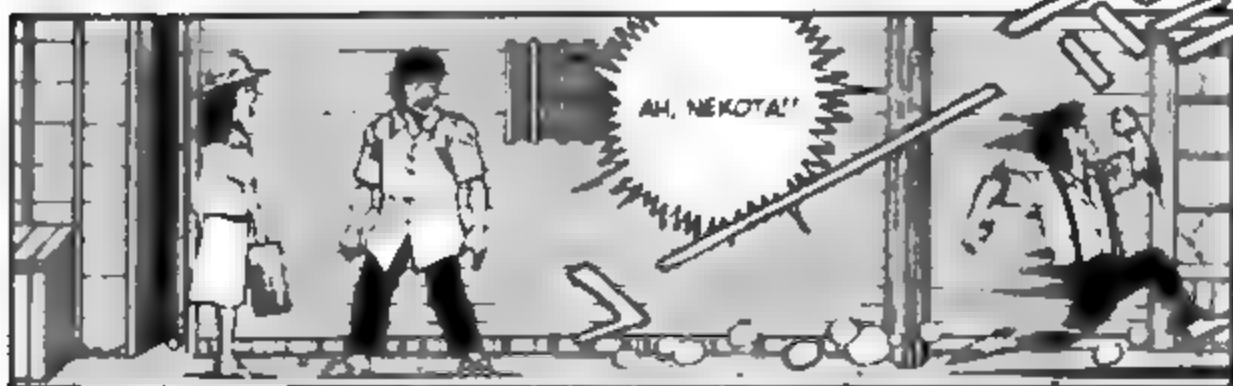
YOU CAN  
USE MY  
PLACE -DANI,  
IT WAS A  
NICE BREEZE  
-DANI

D- DO YOU  
NEED A PLACE  
TO STAY UNTIL  
THEY STOP  
LOOKING  
FOR YOU  
-DANI?

HHHHH,  
YUKI-SAN,  
THEN...

WELL...  
SUPPOSE  
IT'S TRUE  
YOU GET  
A GOOD  
BREEZE

PRETTY  
NAME  
-DANI





IT'S JUST  
A HUT MADE  
FROM A FEW  
DIRTY BUSES

AAAAH, IS  
THIS WHERE  
YOU LIVE!?

IT'S SURPRISINGLY  
COMFORTABLE  
WHEN YOU GET  
USED TO IT



I'LL BE  
TAKING YOUR  
OTHER FREE  
ROOM -DANI

I'M MOVING  
IN -DANIYO



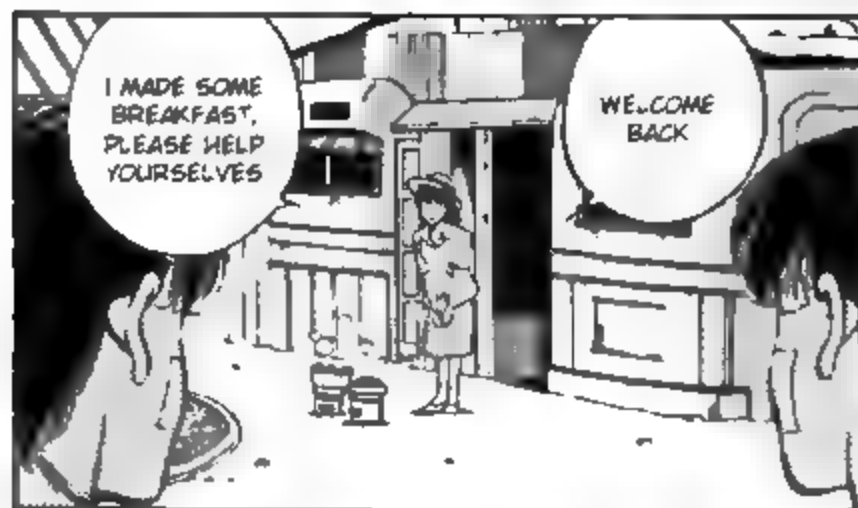
THANK YO-

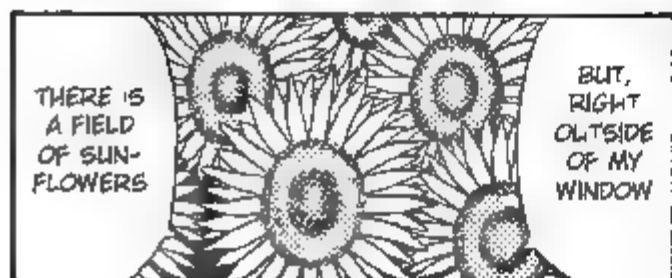
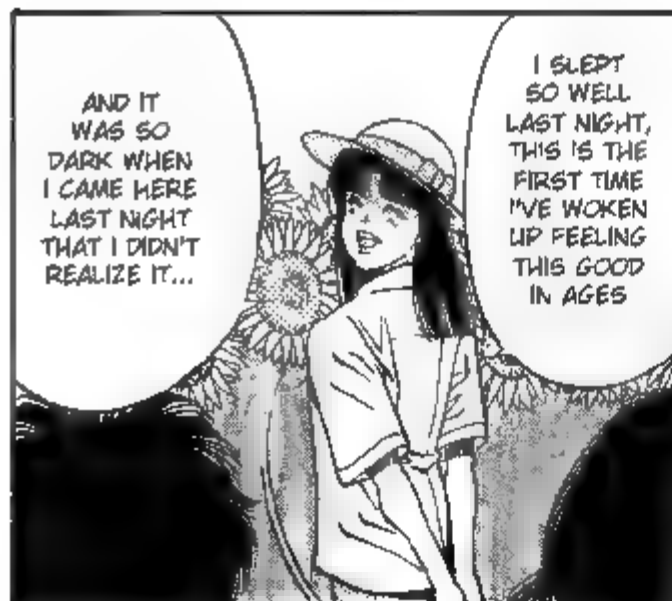
I DON'T USE  
THAT ONE AT ALL,  
SO FEEL FREE  
TO TAKE  
IT OVER

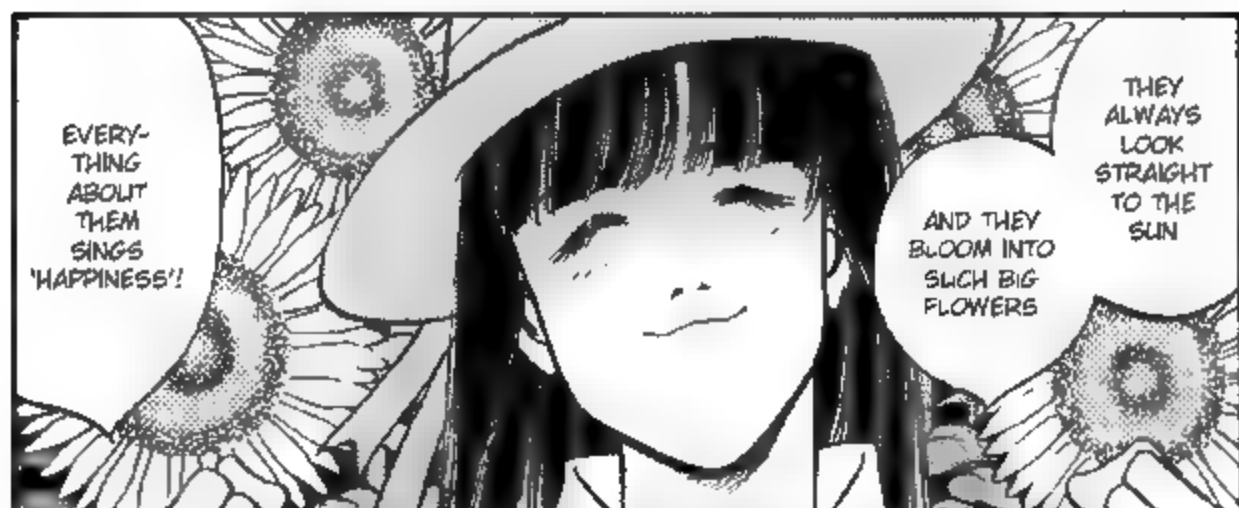


AH?

THANKS  
-DANI!!







EVERY-  
THING  
ABOUT  
THEM  
SINGS  
'HAPPINESS'!

AND THEY  
BLOOM INTO  
SUCH BIG  
FLOWERS

THEY  
ALWAYS  
LOOK  
STRAIGHT  
TO THE  
SUN



COULDN'T  
GET RID  
OF THE  
THINGS  
EVEN IF  
I TRIED  
TO

TH- THEY  
WERE  
THERE  
FROM THE  
START



I JUST  
KEPT IT  
A SECRET  
-DANI

YOU  
GOD  
DAMNED  
LIAR



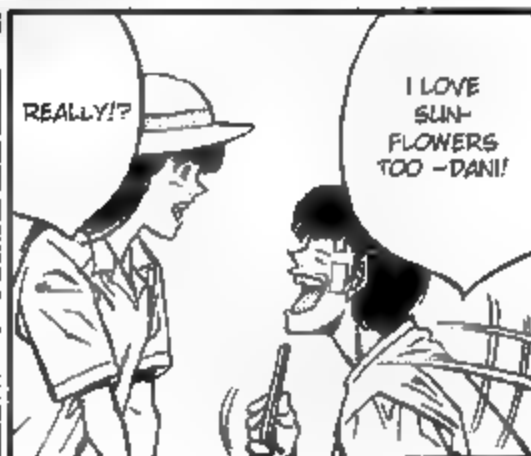
SUCH AN  
EMOTION-  
LESS  
ASS  
-DANI!



I'M GLAD  
YOU LIKE IT  
-DANI



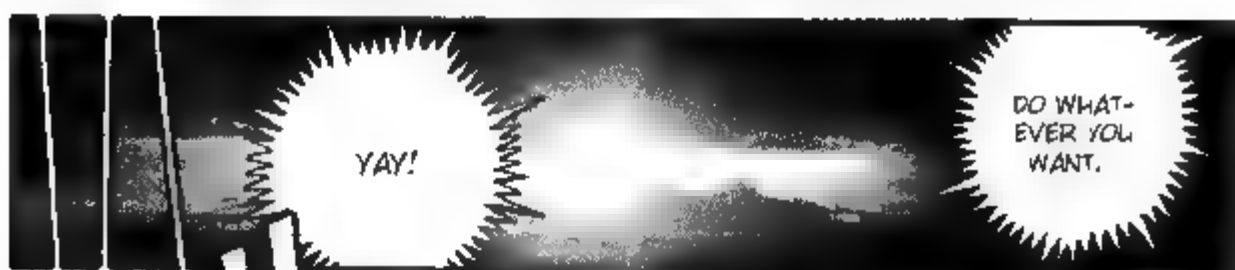
THIS IS  
A WON-  
DERFUL  
PLACE



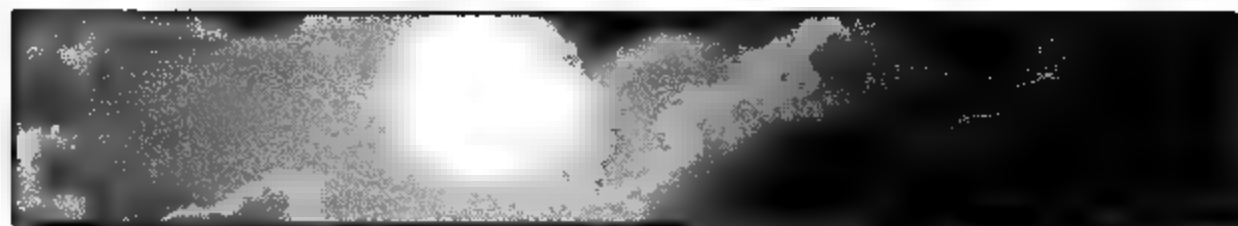
REALLY!?

I LOVE  
SUN-  
FLOWERS  
TOO -DANI!

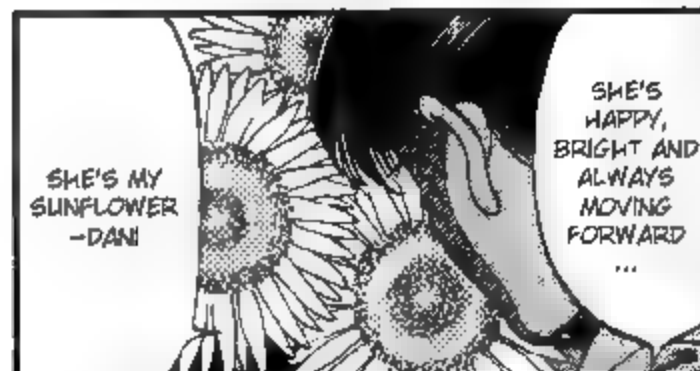












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What a  
pathetic race

Isn't there at least  
one strong man  
in this country!?

Entertain  
me more!  
Someone  
come and  
fight me!

CAN  
ANYONE  
STOP  
HIM!?

HOW COULD  
THIS BE,  
THAT SOLDIER  
HAS ALREADY  
BEATEN  
5 OF US

Gum and  
chocolate

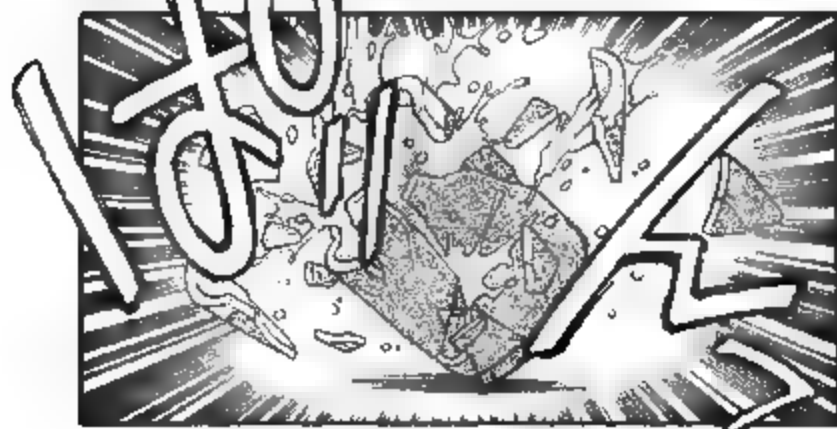
SHIT!

ALL WE  
CAN DO  
IS WATCH

NO ONE  
CAN BEAT  
HIM, HE'S  
TOO  
GOOD..

Take it! Japs!!









\*HISTORY LESSON: NAGASAKI AND HIROSHIMA WERE THE PLACES THEY DROPPED BOMBS ON

# はひめの一步

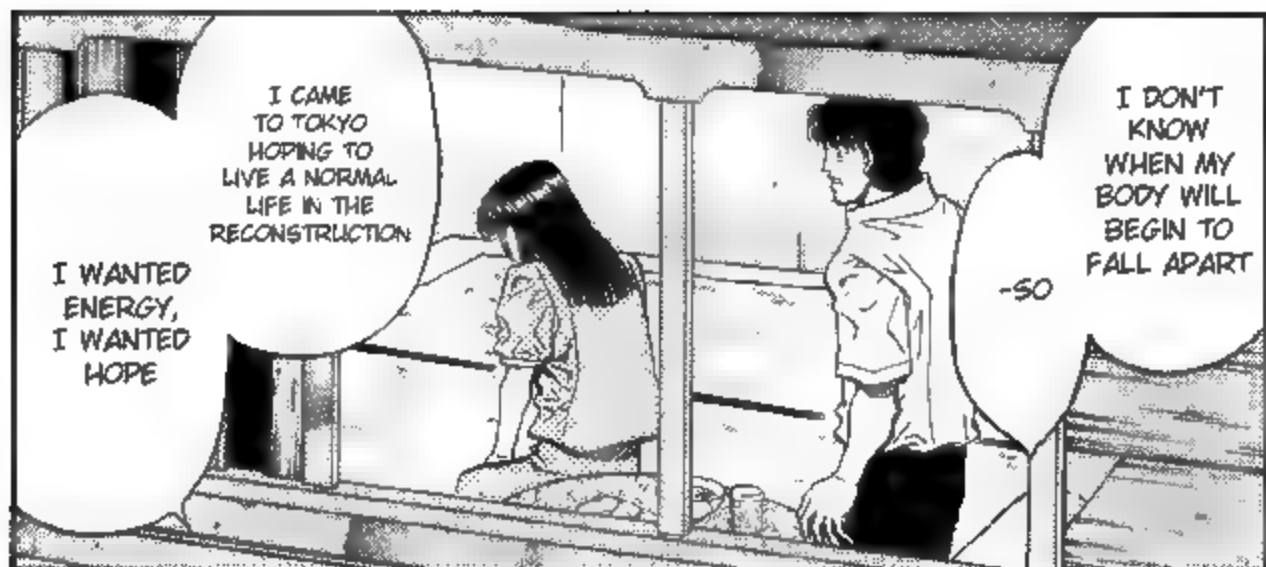




# はじめての THE FIGHTING! 一歩

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THE TIME  
I HAVE  
LEFT

I  
WANTED  
TO  
ENJOY



I WANTED  
THINGS...  
TO STAY  
LIKE THIS  
FOREVER

I DIDN'T WANT  
THE PEOPLE  
IMPORTANT TO  
ME LOOKING AT  
ME THROUGH  
JADED LENSES

I  
DIDN'T  
WANT  
YOU  
TO  
KNOW



I DIDN'T  
HEAR  
ANYTHING,  
SO I DON'T  
KNOW A  
THING  
ABOUT IT

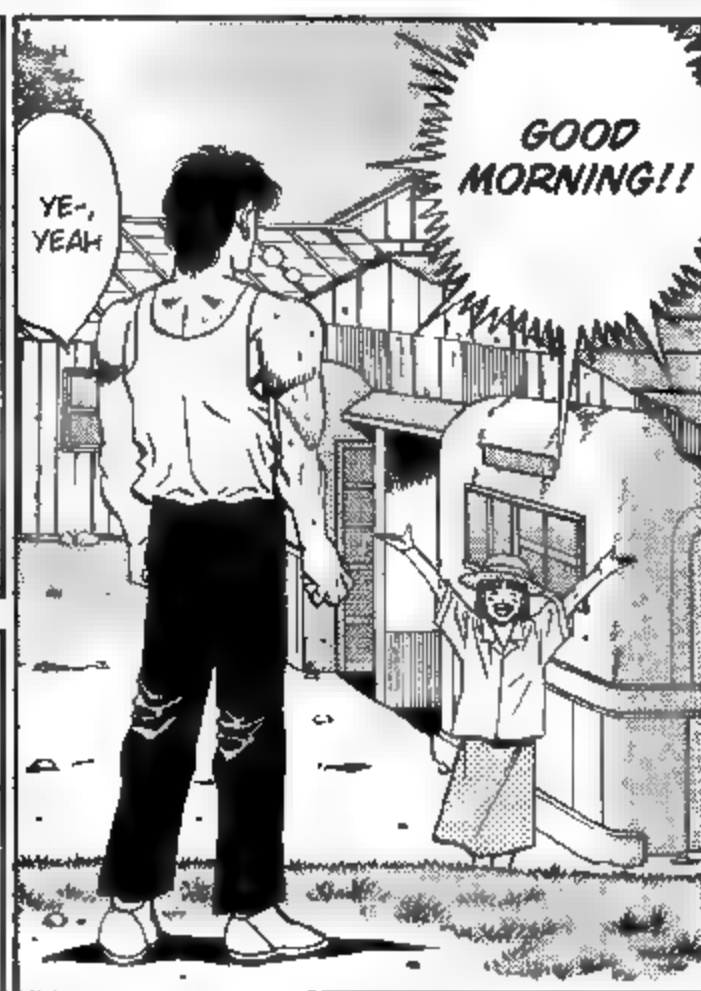
NOT-  
HING'S  
CHANGED



NOTHING'S  
CHANGED

IF YOU'D  
LIKE TO,  
YOU CAN  
STAY HERE  
FOREVER





IT'S  
ALREADY  
DINNER TIME  
AND HE'S  
NOT BACK  
YET

DON'T  
WORRY  
ABOUT  
IT, LET'S  
JUST EAT

EVER SINCE  
LAST NIGHT  
I HAVEN'T  
SEEN HIM

WHAT ABOUT  
NEKOTA-SAN?  
DIDN'T HE  
LEAVE WITH  
YOU .

HE'S  
PROBABLY  
SLACKING  
SOMEWHERE

I'M  
BACK  
-DANI!!

WHAT'S  
THAT  
SMILE  
FOR, IT'S  
CREEPY

NHE-  
HEHE

I WASN'T

WELCOME  
HOME, WHERE  
WERE YOU?

I WAS SO  
WORRIED



ARE YOU  
SURE?  
WASN'T IT  
EXPENSIVE

A-,  
CLO-  
THES!?



EH-!?

YUKI-SAN,  
A PRESENT  
-DANI!



WHERE'D  
YOU STEAL  
THAT

HEY,  
YOU DON'T  
HAVE ANY  
MONEY!



NOW  
I'M NOT A  
FREELoader  
-DANIYO

MY  
RENT  
-DANI



HERE



WHY ARE  
YOU RUNNING  
OUTSIDE!?



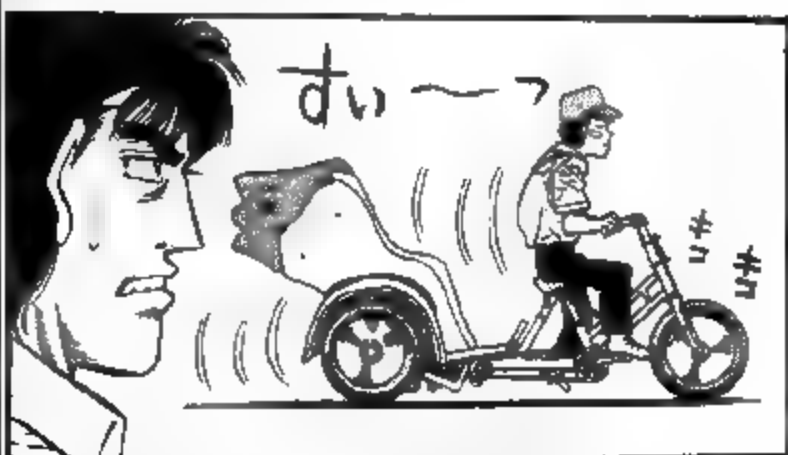
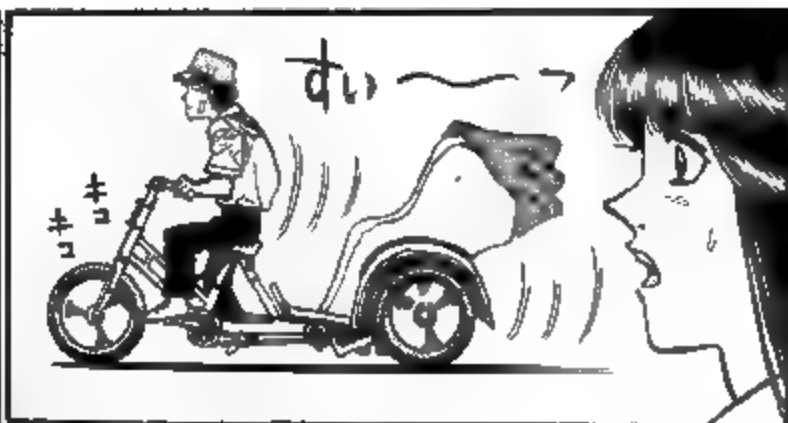
YOUR  
BODY'S  
COVERED  
WITH  
BRUISES. .

H-, HAVE  
YOU BEEN  
WORKING!?



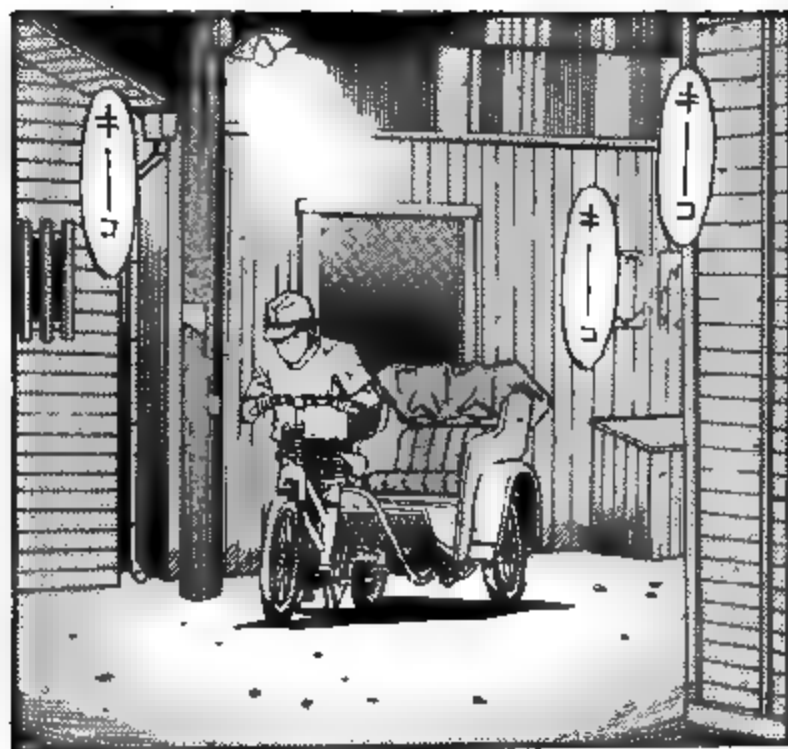
SO HOW'D  
YOU MAKE  
THE MONEY?

I DOUBT  
YOU WERE  
FIGHTING









WHAT... IN THE  
WORLD IS  
GOING ON

IT SHOULD  
HAVE BEEN  
GOING  
PERFECTLY  
STRAIGHT...



I'LL MAKE  
SOME MONEY  
AND GET  
YUKI-SAN A  
PRESENT!

FOR  
NOW,  
I'LL  
WORRY  
ABOUT  
GETTING  
CUSTOMERS



BECAUSE I  
ALWAYS WANT  
YOU TO BE  
PRETTY -DANI...



ARE  
YOU  
SURE?

A,  
ANOTHER  
DRESS!?



EEEE!!

HUH? WHY'RE YOU WEARING THE SAME CLOTHES THAT I JUST BOUGHT YOU -DANI?



I LIKE THESE, SO IT'S NICE TO HAVE 2

I GOT THESE FROM YOU

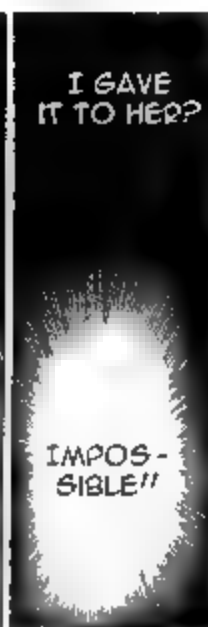


NO, I'M HAPPY

S-, SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN TO PUSH MY TASTE OFF ON YOU -DANI



I DON'T REMEMBER AT ALL -DANI!!



I GAVE IT TO HER?

IMPOS-SIBLE!!





MY SENSE  
OF BALANCE  
IS OFF, I GET  
HEADACHES..

WHY  
DID MY HAND  
FALL ASLEEP  
WHEN I HAVEN'T  
DONE A THING  
TO IT -DANI!?



IT'S  
HAPP-  
ENING  
AGAIN  
-DANI

UGH..



IT'S LIKE MY  
NERVES ARE ALL  
DISSOLVING!!

IS IT  
TEMPORARY!?  
BUT WHEN I  
THINK ABOUT  
IT..



BUT..

I DON'T  
CARE  
ABOUT  
THE  
CAUSE  
-DAN



SINCE THEN...  
THE PERIODS  
BETWEEN  
THESE FITS  
HAS BEEN  
GETTING  
SHORTER



IT  
MUST  
HAVE  
BEEN  
THEN



AND

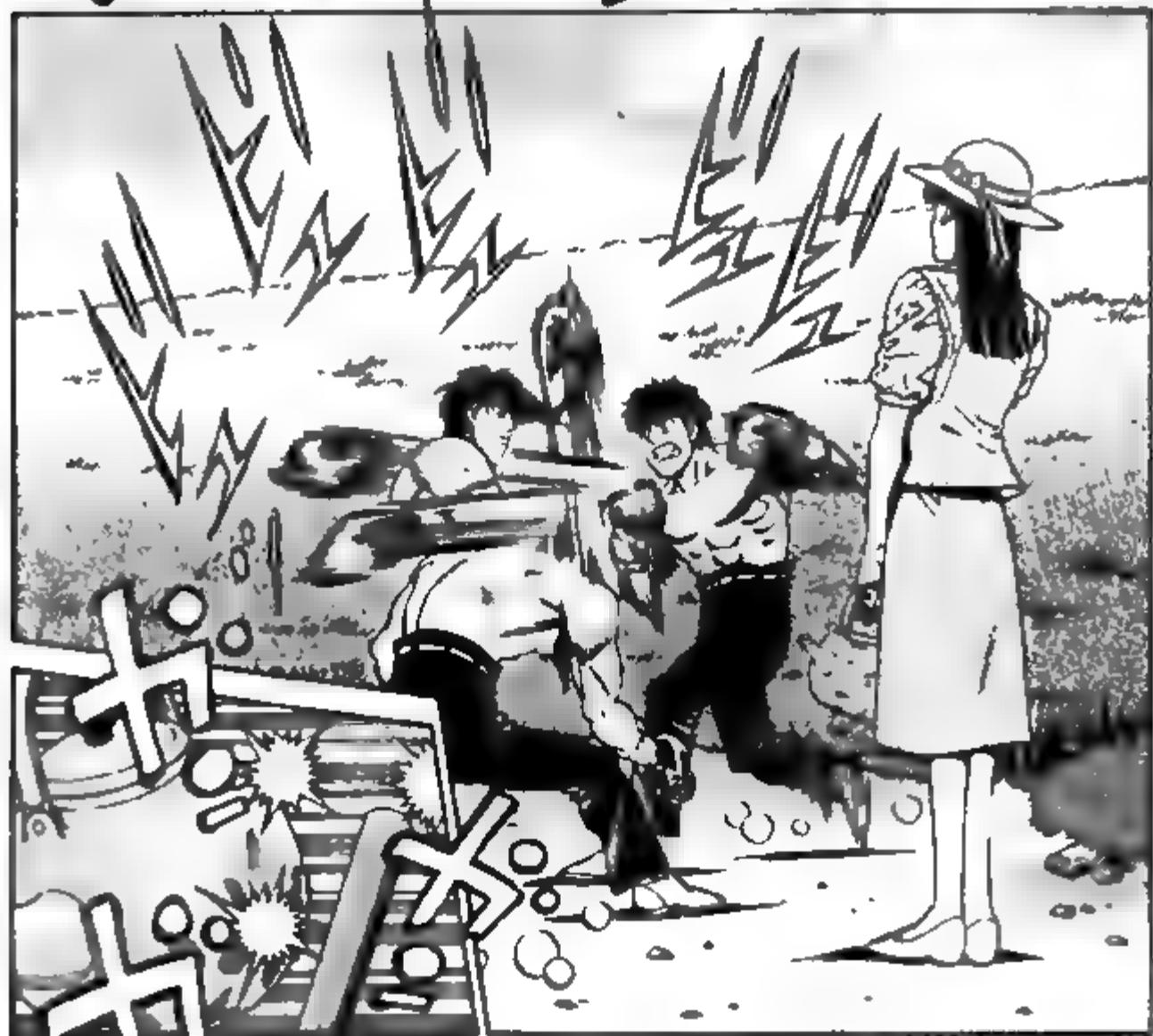


WHAT'S  
HAPPENING  
TO MY  
BODY



WHAT  
WILL  
HAPPEN  
TO IT?

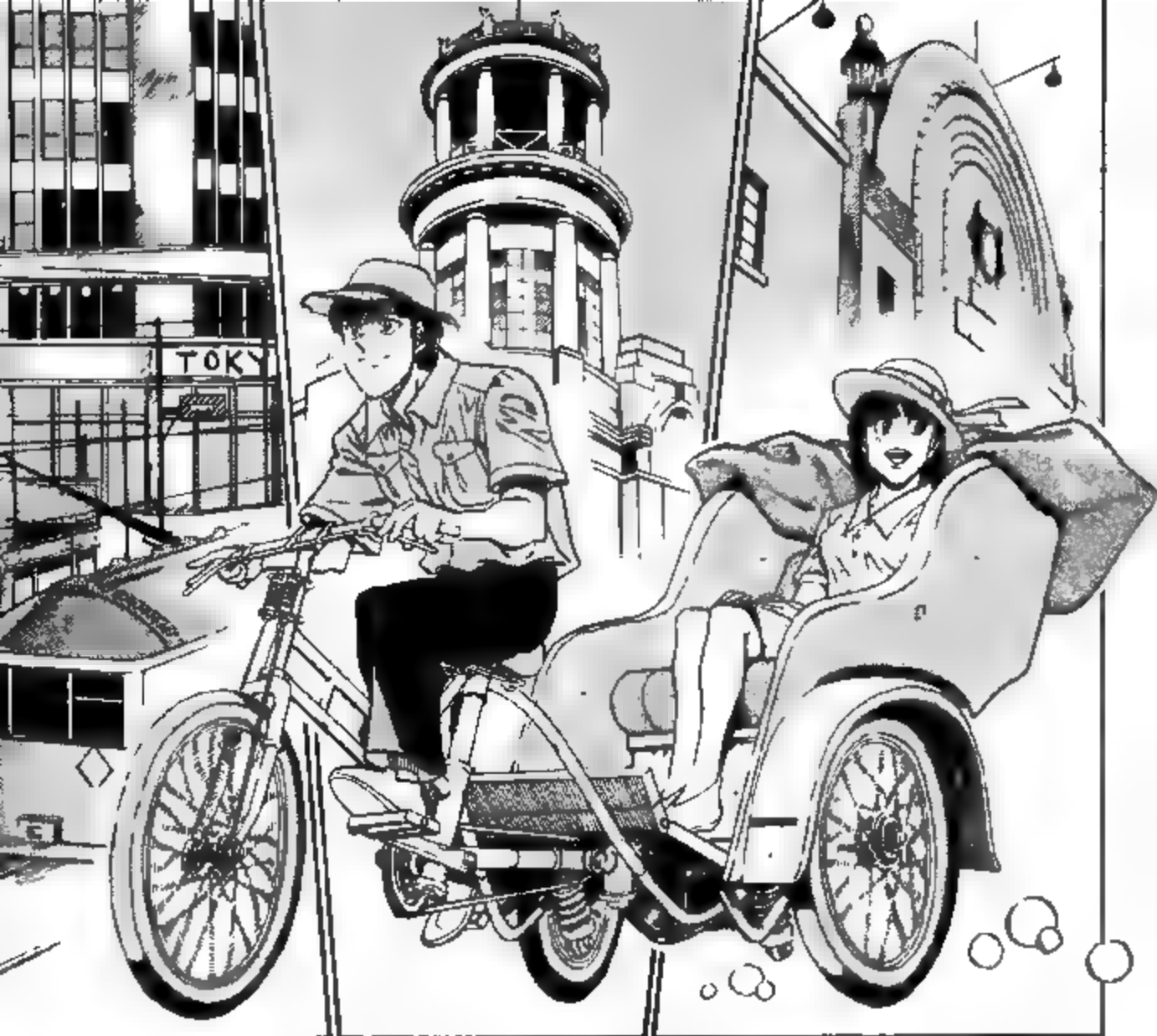
TO ME...















HE JUST  
PICKS  
ON THE  
WEAK,  
THERE'S  
NO HOPE  
IN THAT



LET'S  
GO

I DON'T  
LIKE HIS  
FIGHTS



Not enough

Entertain  
me more!!



TO SEE  
YOU  
LOOK NG  
DOWN  
-DANI

I DON'T  
WANT

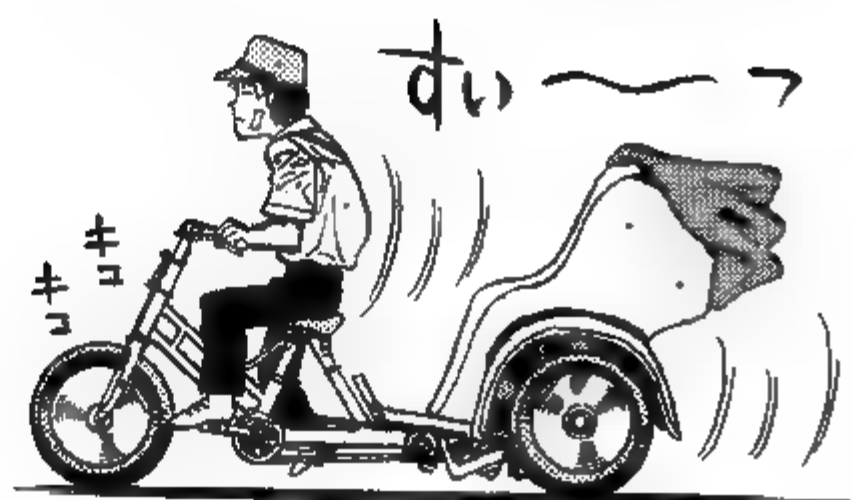


A FIGHT  
WITH  
STRENGTH

DO YOU  
WANT TO  
SEE IT  
-DANKA?

TO  
SPARE!!

# はじめての一步







Y-, YOU  
CAN'T! IT'S  
TOO  
DANGER-  
OUS!!

THERE'S  
NO WAY TO  
FIGHT A  
MAN THAT  
BIG...



DO YOU  
WANT  
TO SEE  
IT  
-DANIKA?

TO  
SPARE!!

SCANS: HANABISHI, RECCA  
TRANS: SNOOPY  
EDITS: SHEJES

# はじめる一歩

THE FIGHTING!



AND I  
WANT A  
MONOPOLY  
ON THE  
GLORY

HE'D  
JUST  
TELL ME  
NOT TO  
ANYWAY

DON'T  
TELL  
KAMO-  
GAWA  
-DANI



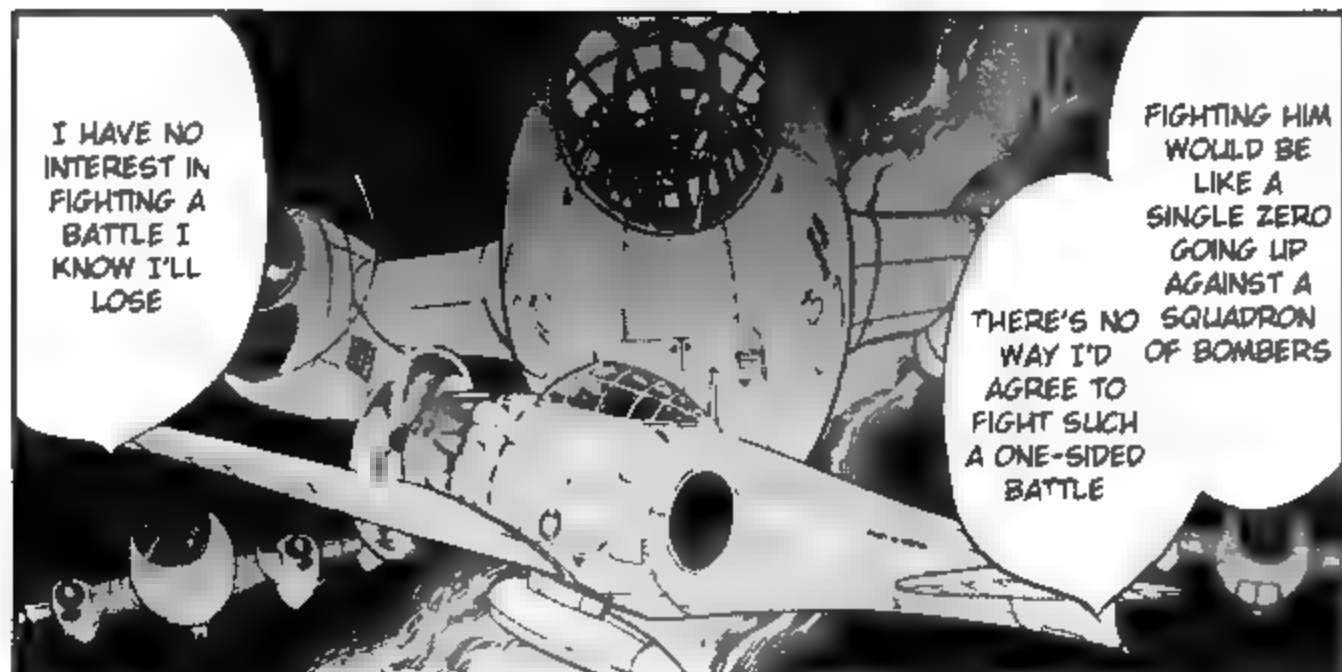
NEKOTA-  
SAN...



I'VE  
ALWAYS  
KNOWN  
THAT...

THE TIME  
WOULD COME  
THAT I HAVE  
TO FIGHT HIM  
-DANI





I HAVE NO  
INTEREST IN  
FIGHTING A  
BATTLE I  
KNOW I'LL  
LOSE

FIGHTING HIM  
WOULD BE  
LIKE A  
SINGLE ZERO  
GOING UP  
AGAINST A  
SQUADRON  
OF BOMBERS

THERE'S NO  
WAY I'D  
AGREE TO  
FIGHT SUCH  
A ONE-SIDED  
BATTLE



FIGHTS  
HAVE  
WEIGHT  
CLASSES  
FOR A  
REASON

...  
THAT'S  
IRRELEVANT



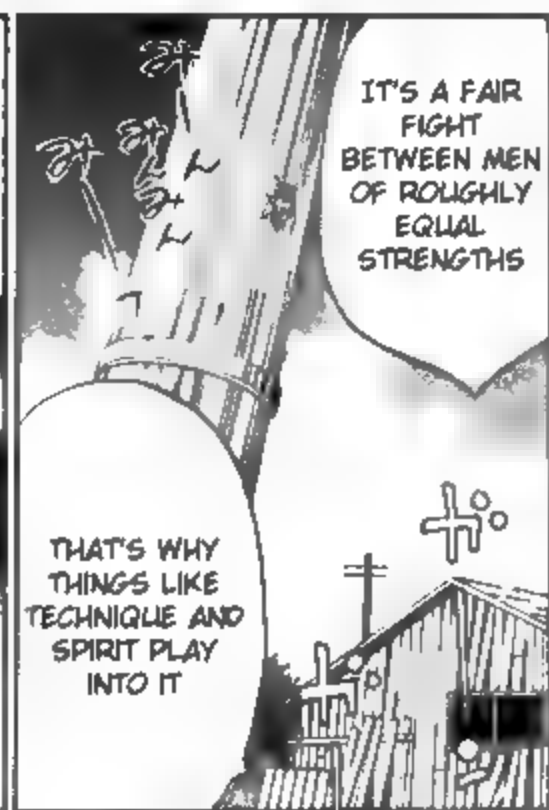
HAVE YOU  
THROWN  
AWAY YOUR  
JAPANESE  
PRIDE!?

YOU'D RUN  
AWAY JUST  
BECAUSE THE  
FIGHT IS  
ONE-SIDED!?



I DON'T  
THINK OF  
HIM AS A  
MAN THAT I  
CAN TEST  
MY  
THEORIES  
ON!

BUT THAT  
SOLDIER IS  
ON A TOTALLY  
DIFFERENT  
LEVEL



IT'S A FAIR  
FIGHT  
BETWEEN MEN  
OF ROUGHLY  
EQUAL  
STRENGTHS

THAT'S WHY  
THINGS LIKE  
TECHNIQUE AND  
SPIRIT PLAY  
INTO IT

HERE, 'PRIZE  
FIGHTING' WILL  
EVOLVE INTO  
'BOXING', AS  
WELL

WE'RE  
EVOLVING PAST  
THE AGE OF  
THE JAPANESE  
SPIRIT

I  
UNDER-  
STAND  
WHAT  
YOU'RE  
SAYING,  
BUT STILL

THEY'LL ADD  
HEALTH  
GUIDELINES,  
AND IMPROVE  
THE RULES

SOON,  
THEY'LL  
DIVIDE  
THE  
WEIGHTS  
FURTHER

SORRY

BUT I  
GUESS IT  
WAS  
HOPEFUL  
THINKING

I'D  
THOUGHT  
YOU'D  
MAKE IT A  
PRETTY  
GOOD  
FIGHT

FUH  
...

IT PAINS ME TO SAY  
IT, BUT THE LEVELS  
WERE WAY TOO  
DIFFERENT, IF IT HAD  
BEEN IN A GLOVED  
MATCH, I'M SURE  
THE DIFFERENCE  
WOULD HAVE BEEN  
EVEN BIGGER

ACTUALLY, A  
WHILE BACK  
HE GOT US,  
TOO

I GUESS THE ONLY  
TWO GUYS LEFT  
THAT CAN FIGHT HIM  
ON GOOD GROUND  
ARE YOU AND  
NEKOTA

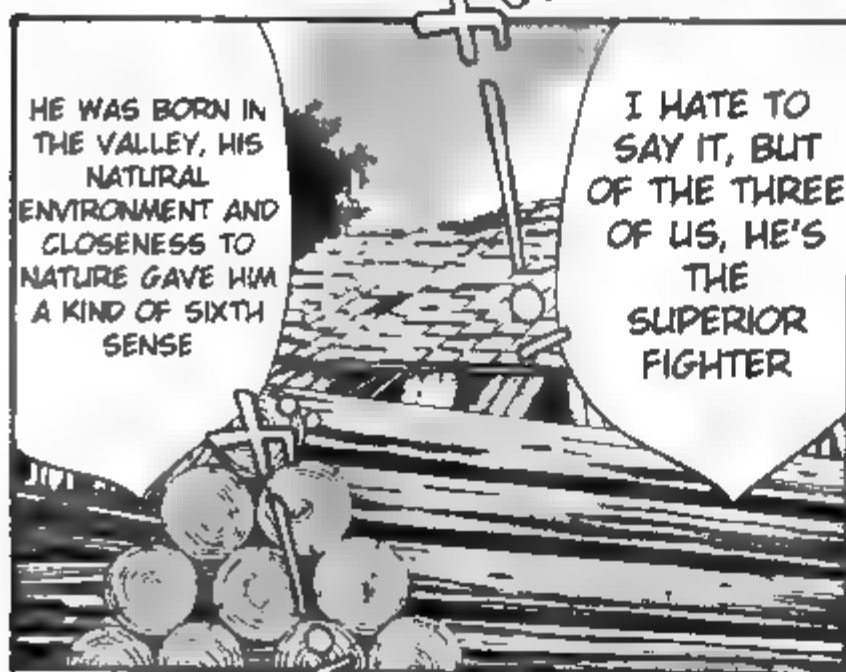


HIS  
BREATHING  
AND PUNCH  
INTERVALS  
WERE LIKE  
WELL-OILED  
MACHINES

HIS PUNCHES  
ACCURATELY  
HIT THE  
VITAL POINTS

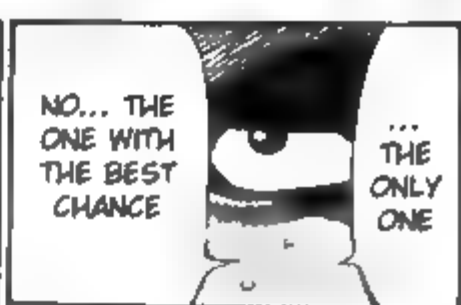
THAT  
SOLDIER'S  
FIGHTING  
SURPASSES  
OURS

WHEN HE  
HIT ME, I  
UNDER-  
STOOD



HE WAS BORN IN  
THE VALLEY, HIS  
NATURAL  
ENVIRONMENT AND  
CLOSENESS TO  
NATURE GAVE HIM  
A KIND OF SIXTH  
SENSE

I HATE TO  
SAY IT, BUT  
OF THE THREE  
OF US, HE'S  
THE  
SUPERIOR  
FIGHTER



NO... THE  
ONE WITH  
THE BEST  
CHANCE

...  
THE  
ONLY  
ONE



IS  
NEKOTA!

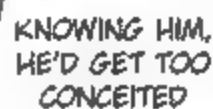


IS HIS  
'WILD-  
NESS'!!

THE ONLY  
THING  
CAPABLE OF  
BREAKING  
SUCH A  
WELL-BUILT  
MACHINE



EVEN IF HE CAN  
BREAK HIM,  
BEATING HIM IS  
A TOTALLY  
DIFFERENT  
STORY



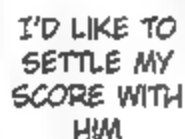
KNOWING HIM,  
HE'D GET TOO  
CONCEITED



DON'T  
TELL ANY  
OF THIS  
TO  
NEKOTA



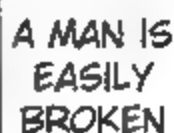
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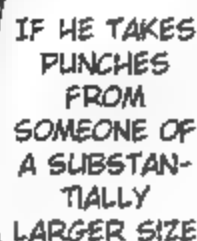
I'D LIKE TO  
SETTLE MY  
SCORE WITH  
HIM



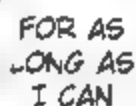
LIHM



A MAN IS  
EASILY  
BROKEN



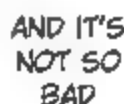
IF HE TAKES  
PUNCHES  
FROM  
SOMEONE OF  
A SUBSTAN-  
TIALY  
LARGER SIZE



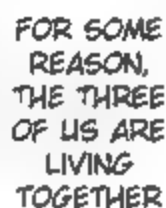
FOR AS  
LONG AS  
I CAN



I'D LIKE TO  
KEEP  
THINGS LIKE  
THIS



AND IT'S  
NOT SO  
BAD



FOR SOME  
REASON,  
THE THREE  
OF US ARE  
LIVING  
TOGETHER

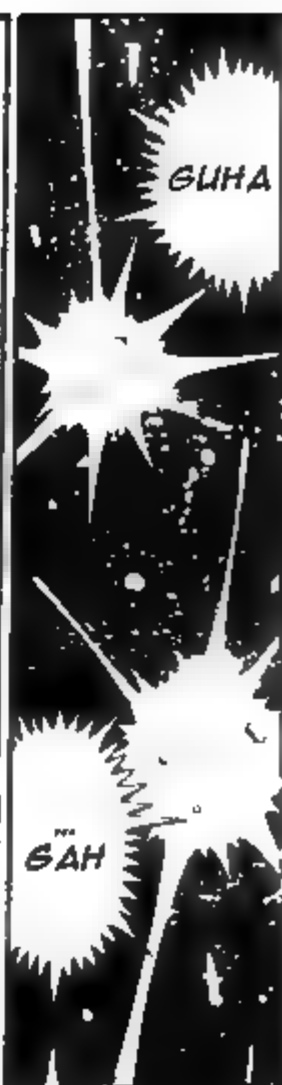


IF AT ALL  
POSSIBLE...



JUST  
HONESTLY  
SAY YOU'RE  
ENJOYING IT







HEY, ARE  
YOU OK

I-, I'M FINE  
-DANI, I'LL  
GO HOME...  
DANI



AND THE  
SYMPTOMS  
... ARE  
GETTING  
WORSE!!

DAMNIT,  
THE TIME  
BETWEEN  
THEM IS  
GETTING  
SHORTER



SHIT-!!

SHIT  
SHIT



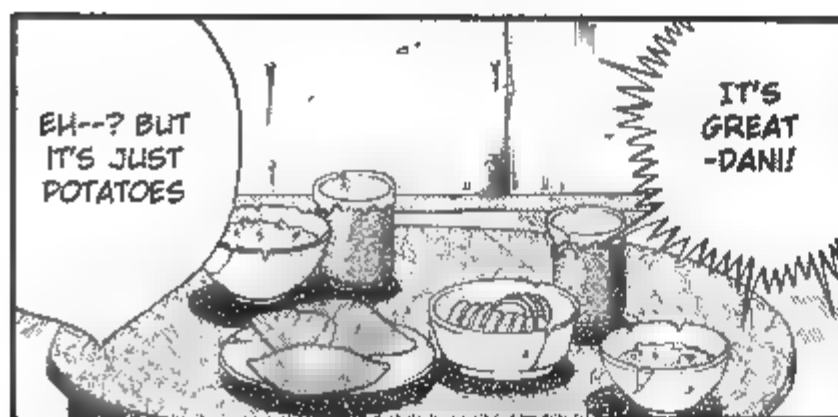
NOT  
YET

G-, GREAT  
IS  
KAMOGAWA  
BACK YET  
-DANIKA?

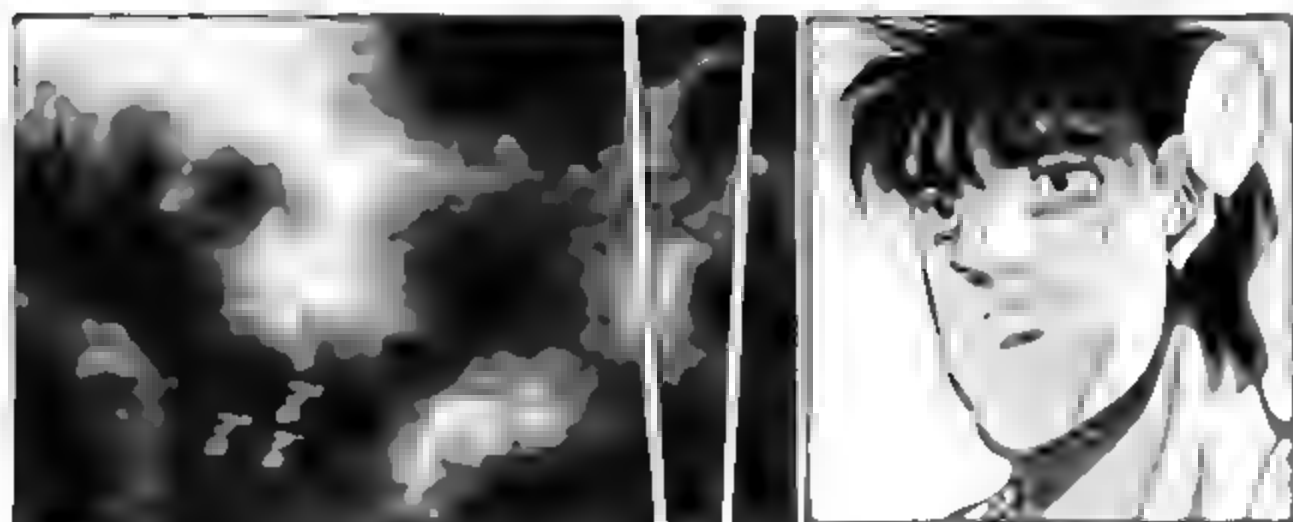
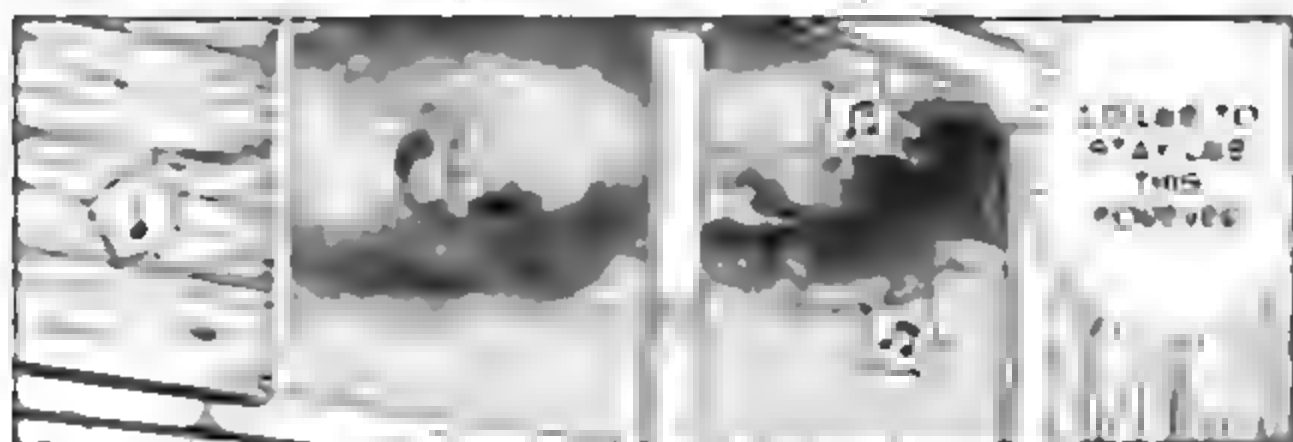


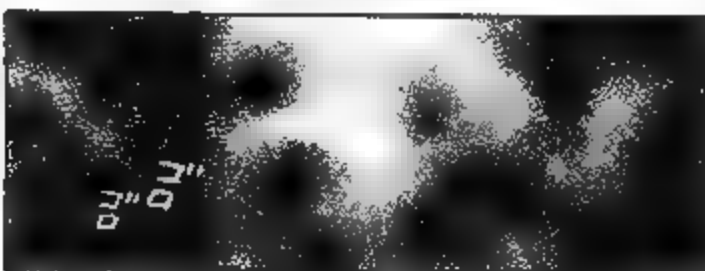
DINNER'S  
READY

WELCOME  
HOME













IF YOU SAY  
THINGS LIKE  
THAT







IT'S  
RAINING  
PRETTY  
HARD ALL  
OF A  
SUDDEN

HURRY  
INSIDE OR  
YOU'LL  
GET SICK



WHY DID I  
LEAVE  
AFTER  
SAYING  
THAT?

DAMNIT,  
WHY AM I  
GETTING  
LIKE THIS?



DON'T  
BETRAY  
HIM, YOU  
FOOL!

I KNOW  
ABOUT  
NEKOT A'S  
FEEL-  
INGS!!



I CAN'T  
BETRAY  
HIM!  
NEKOT A'S  
MY...

I'VE BEEN  
TRAINING  
ALL  
THESE  
YEARS TO  
BE ABLE  
TO RESIST  
MY  
EMO-  
TIONS!!





**BEST  
FRIEND!!**



AH.



WELCOME  
HOME,  
KAMOGA-  
WA-SAN!



I HAVE  
SOMETHING I  
WANT TO TELL  
YOU -DANI

IT'S  
ME  
-DANI!







IT'LL BE  
MY LAST  
FIGHT  
-DANI

... AND  
I'M  
SURE...

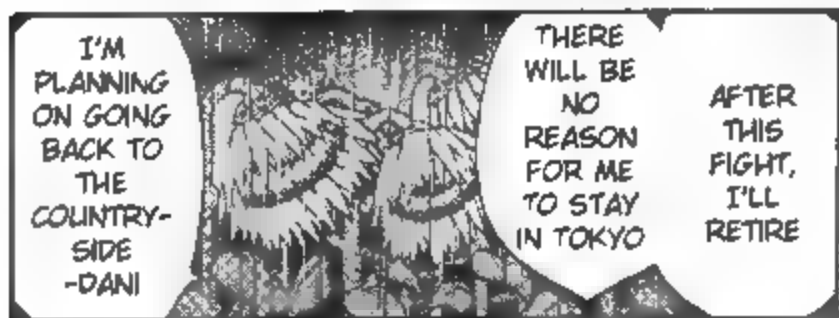


NE-,  
NEKOTA-  
SAN...



I'LL MAKE IT  
A FIGHT THAT  
WILL GIVE  
EVERYONE  
WHO SEES IT  
STRENGTH

I'LL  
WIN



I'M  
PLANNING  
ON GOING  
BACK TO  
THE  
COUNTRY-  
SIDE  
-DANI

THERE  
WILL BE  
NO  
REASON  
FOR ME  
TO STAY  
IN TOKYO

AFTER  
THIS  
FIGHT,  
I'LL  
RETIRE



WILL YOU  
COME  
HOME  
WITH ME?

WILL YOU  
GO WITH  
ME!?



WI-...



I'M  
SURE  
IT'LL  
HELP  
YOUR  
BODY...

IT'S A  
PLACE THAT  
HELPS  
PEOPLE  
RELAX  
-DANI

THE AIR'S  
CLEAR,  
IT'S A  
WONDERFUL  
PLACE  
-DANI





# はじめての一步

SHEJES SEZ:  
TRIVIA TIME PART TWO-  
HAVE YOU BEEN PAYING  
ATTENTION TO THE CREDITS? CAN  
YOU NAME EVERYONE WHO WORKED  
ON THIS RELEASE OF RPOP?

SCANNERS: HAYABISHI, RECCA  
SNOOPY  
ELIAS  
FUSIONGT  
TRANSLATORS: SNOOPY  
VIATOR  
EDITORS: KARTHON  
MUGEN  
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RYNOR  
GREATTEACHERSTONE  
TENSASIVUMON  
ZIP  
FUSIONGT  
RATTIKARL  
AND ME





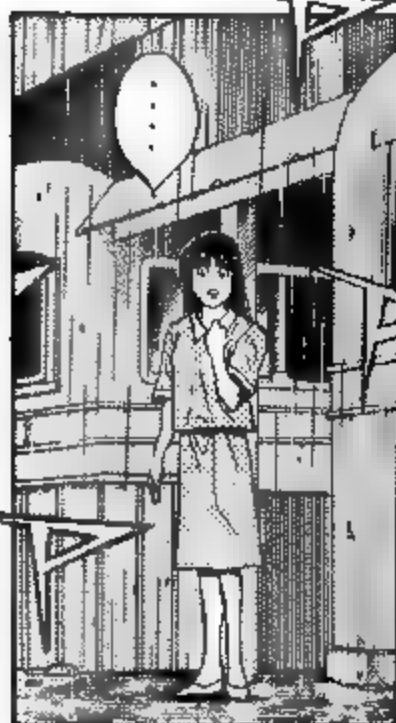
AFTER THE  
MATCH



I'LL WANT  
TO HEAR  
YOUR  
ANSWER

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# はじめての THE FIGHTING!!



FIGHTING  
THAT  
AMERICAN  
SOLDIER  
IS TOO  
DANGEROUS

HE'S  
BIGGER  
AND  
STRONGER...



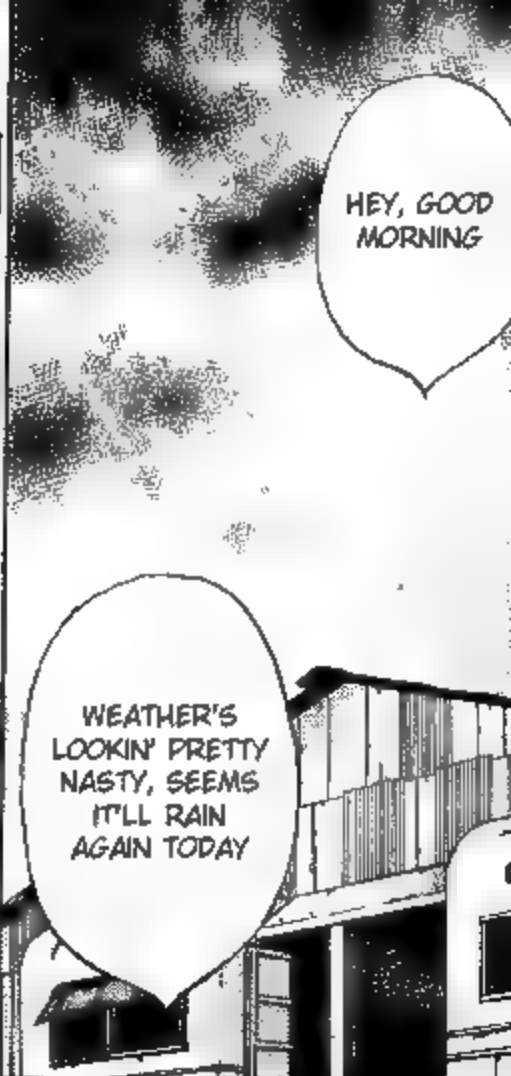
BUT BE  
SURE  
TO COME  
-DANI

I WANT TO  
CONCENTRATE  
BEFORE THE  
FIGHT, SO YOU  
WON'T SEE ME  
ANYMORE  
TONIGHT



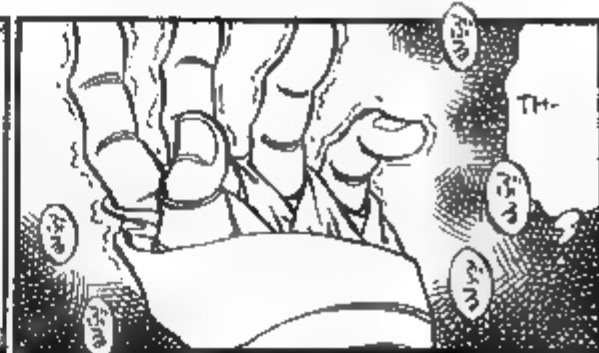
NEKOTA-  
SAN!!

Round 405 Drunken Fist









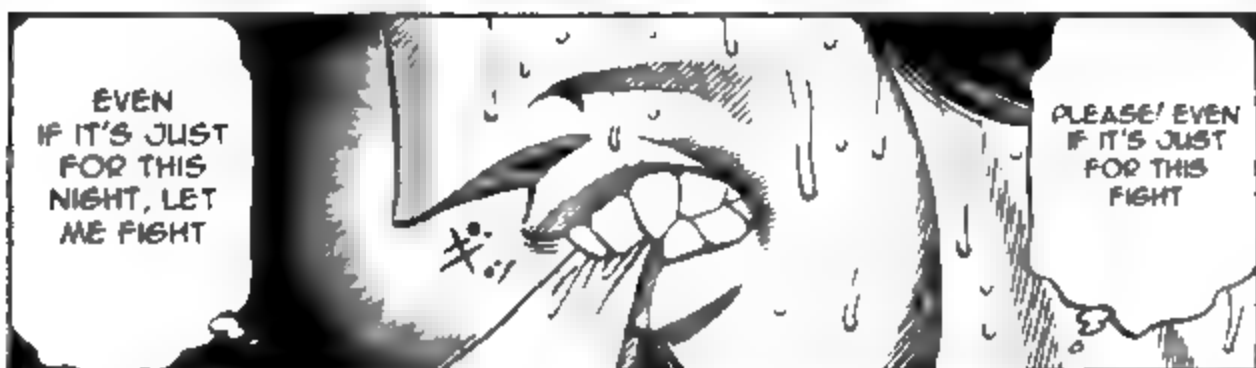




WHAT I'M SCARED  
OF IS ENDING  
THE FIGHT NOT  
ACCOMPLISHING  
ANYTHING!!

I'M NOT  
SCARED OF  
TAKING  
PUNCHES

WHAT



EVEN  
IF IT'S JUST  
FOR THIS  
NIGHT, LET  
ME FIGHT

PLEASE! EVEN  
IF IT'S JUST  
FOR THIS  
FIGHT



SHE'S LIKE MY  
SUNFLOWER!!



I DON'T  
WANT TO  
SEE HER  
LOOKING  
DOWN!

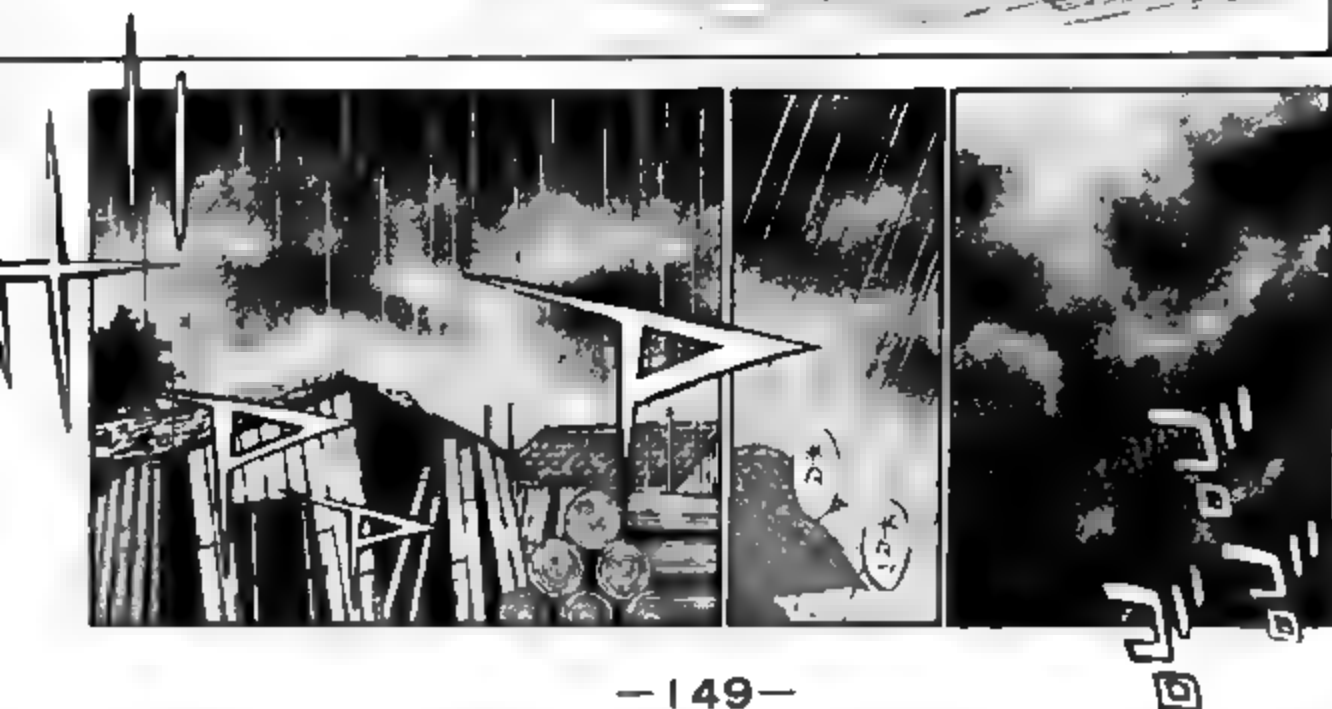
I WANT  
TO GIVE HER  
STRENGTH!

P  
L  
E  
A  
S  
E  
!!

YUKI-SAN!

YUKI-SAN,  
YUKI-SAN

YUKI-SAN!!





I GUESS  
I'LL GO  
HOME



AAAH,  
NO USE  
WORKING  
IN THIS



LWAAH, IT'S  
RAINING

GET INSIDE  
QUICK,  
YOU'LL  
BE HIT BY  
LIGHTING!



YUKI-  
SAN ...!



GET INSIDE

WHAT'RE  
YOU DOING,  
YOU'RE  
SOAKING  
WET



NEKOTA-  
SAN IS..



NEKOTA-  
SAN IS



HE SAID TO  
KEEP IT A  
SECRET ..

NO ONE  
TOLD ME  
ANYTHING!!



NEKOTA'S  
FIGHTING THE  
SOLDIER!?



IF YOU  
WANNA  
WATCH IT,  
THEN GO  
ALONE

THAT FOOL,  
LET HIM GET  
KILLED FOR  
ALL I CARE

IMPOS-  
SIBLE..



HAS BEEN  
ACTING  
STRANGE

BUT .  
NEKOTA-  
SAN



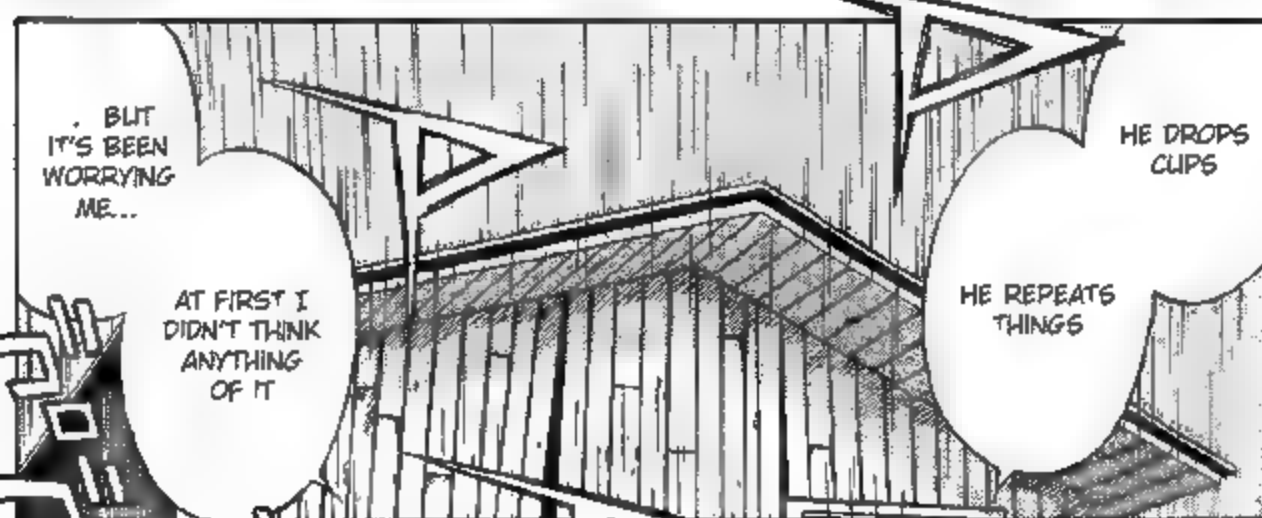
IT'LL  
WORK  
OUT IN  
THE END

IF  
IT'S  
HIM



BUT

BUT



. BUT  
IT'S BEEN  
WORRYING  
ME...

AT FIRST I  
DIDN'T THINK  
ANYTHING  
OF IT

HE DROPS  
CLIPS

HE REPEATS  
THINGS





NO  
WAY!

HE'S  
AVOIDED  
SO MANY  
PUNCHES  
IN PRACTICE  
WITH YOU...



HE'S  
PUNCH  
DRUNK!!



IT'S TIME,  
NEKOTA

LET'S  
GO



WHEN HE'S  
CONCENTRATING,  
HE CAN MASK  
THE SYMPTOMS  
FOR A WHILE

THE  
SYMPTOMS  
MAY  
ONLY SHOW  
THEMSELVES  
TEMPORARILY



A SWITCH

IN HIS  
BRAIN!!

IT'S LIKE  
A SWITCH  
THAT GOES  
ON AND OFF  
ON ITS OWN







IT MAY  
HAVE  
STARTED  
ALREADY

THE  
KODAN  
GYM!

WHERE!?

WE MUST  
HAVE  
KNOWN  
ABOUT  
EVERY-  
THING!

SHIT-  
PLEASE  
MAKE  
IT IN  
TIME

WHERE'S  
THE  
FIGHT!?

THERE  
AREN'T  
MANY  
AROUND  
WHO  
COULD  
DO WHAT  
YOU'RE  
DOING

I'LL ADMIT  
YOU'RE A  
REAL MAN,  
NEKOTA!

AND  
KNOWING  
EVERYTHING,  
HE'S STILL  
GOING TO  
FIGHT

ABOUT YUKI-  
SAN'S BODY,  
ABOUT HIS  
BODY

BUT





YOUR  
LIFE IS IN  
DANGER!!

REGARDLESS  
OF VICTORY  
OF DEFEAT

IF YOU'RE  
REALLY A  
PUNCH  
DRUNKER



IS SOME-  
THING  
THAT  
I'M NOT  
WILLING  
TO DO!!

TO IGNORE  
A FRIEND  
RISKING  
HIS LIFE



NE-KO-TA  
NE-KO-TA

NE-KO-TA  
NE-KO-TA

NE-KO-TA  
NE-KO-TA

I'VE GOT  
TO STOP HIM!

I'VE GOT  
TO MAKE IT!!



THERE HE  
IS, IT'S  
NEKOTA

WE'RE  
COUNTING  
ON YOU

COME  
ON, BEAT  
THAT DAMN  
SOLDIER

I've been waiting  
for you Jap

Kuh kuh kuh,  
welcome









THIS WILL BE  
YOUR VERY  
LAST CHANCE

TO SEE  
ME FIGHT  
-DANI!!!



NEKO-  
TAAA~



# はひめの一步



# はじめての THE FIGHTING!

Round 406

Razor Nekota



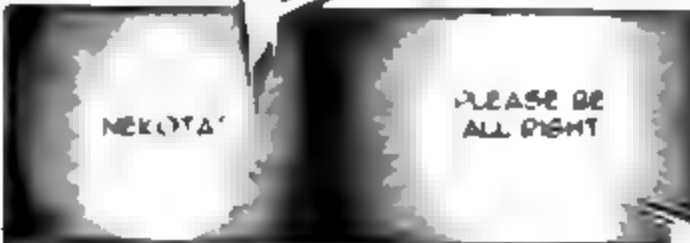


NEKOTA-!!



YES

COME ON  
YUKI-SAN!



NEKOTA!

PLEASE BE  
ALL RIGHT



IT  
COULDN'T  
HAVE  
ALREADY  
STARTED

WH-  
WHAT'S  
ALL THE  
SCREAM-  
ING  
ABOUT!?



PLEASE  
MOVE, I  
NEED TO GET  
CLOSER

WHY'S  
EVERYONE  
SO LOUD!?

I CAN'T SEE  
THROUGH  
ALL THE  
PEOPLE



NEKOTA

NEKOTA  
-SAN

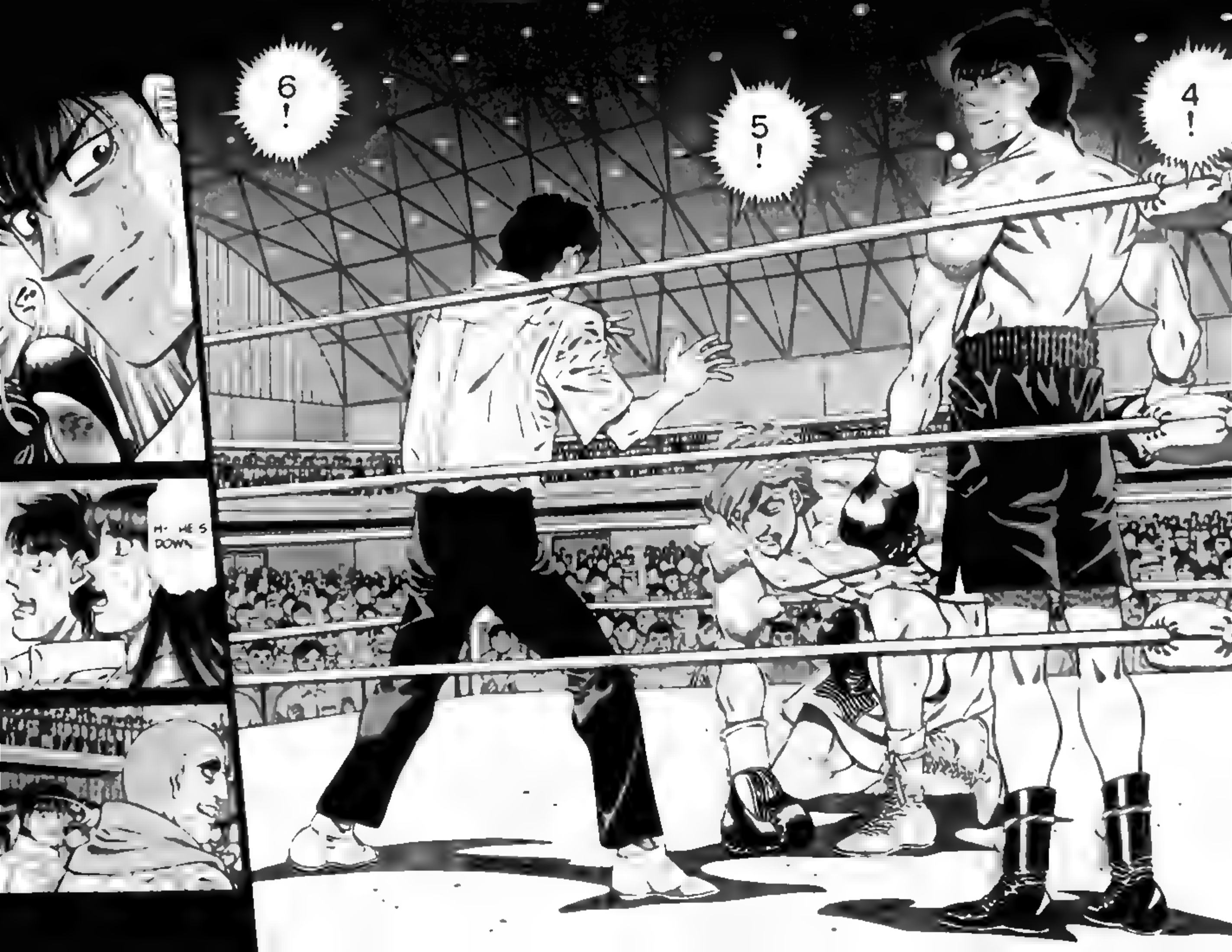


UWAH

AAH

SO YOU  
CAME..





6!

5!

4!

H. HE'S  
DOWN

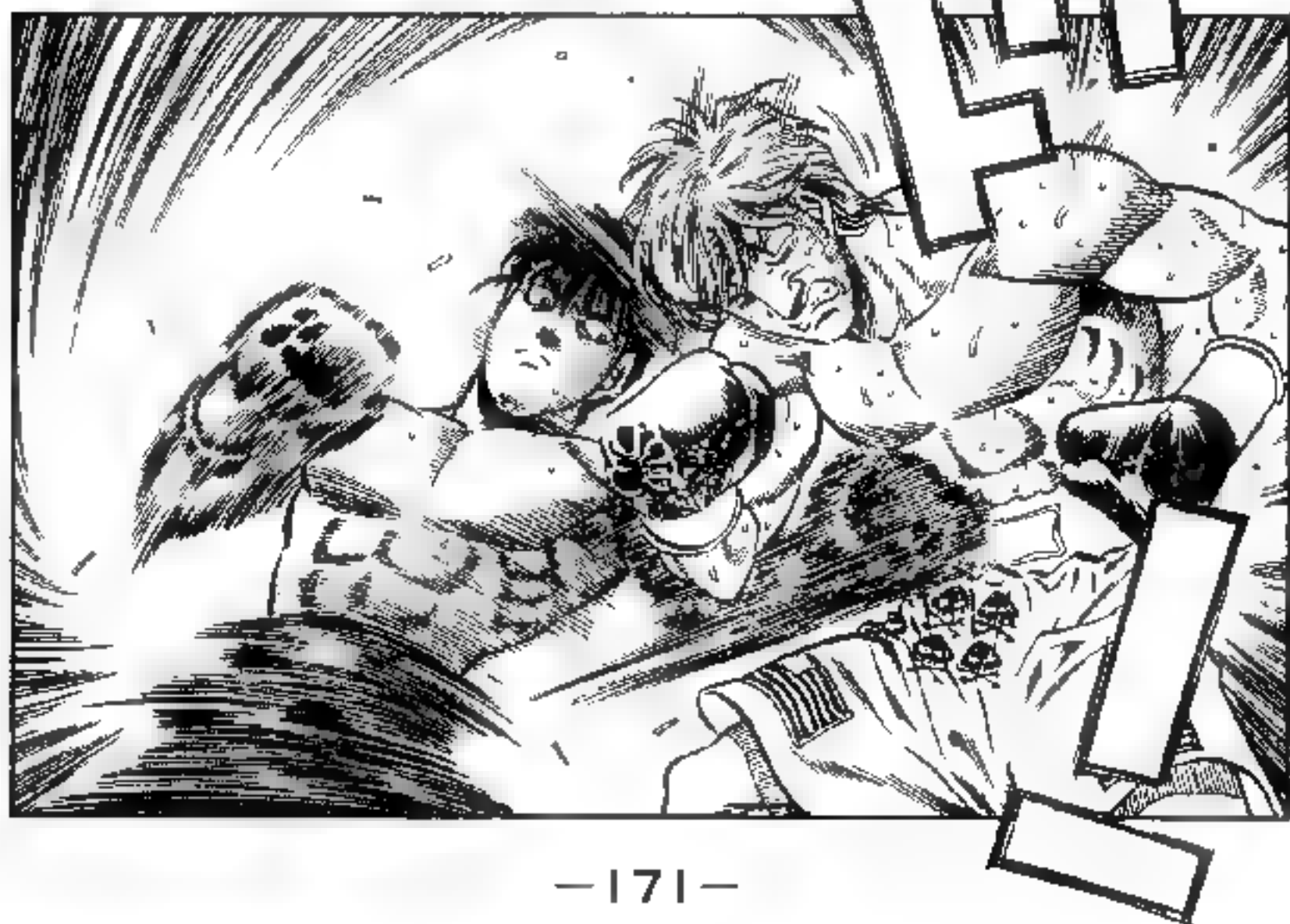














I'm good at  
recovering from good  
punches but after  
just one of those my  
eye blur

Again  
and again with  
the  
annoying  
pattern

DO IT  
DO IT  
NEKO'A

JWAN!

I can't catch him with  
anything!

But above all else his  
weight is almost like  
cheating

LOOKING  
GOOD



So this is the lower-weight's

Top speed!!



AS HE  
SWINGS  
THROUGH  
THE AIR

IT'S LIKE  
WATCHING  
ONE OF  
THOSE GIANT  
BOMBERS  
THE  
AMERICAN'S  
TAKE SO  
MUCH PRIDE  
IN

NEKOTA-  
SAN...

A-  
AMAZ-  
ING



COULD YOU DO THAT KAMOGAWA?

COULD YOU DO THIS FIGHT?



WHEN FIGHTING A MAN WHO'S TALLER THAN YOU HIS VITALS ARE ALWAYS OUT OF REACH

NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES YOU TRY

IT'S LIKE NEKOTA'S TAKING THE PLACE OF THE ZERO



THAT'S WHEN YOU HAVE ACCESS TO THE VITAL POINTS'

BUT IF YOU'RE ABLE TO LAND A LEFT TO THE BODY, HE BUCKLES OVER



AND THAT REQUIRES LIGHTNING SPEED!!





A WORK  
OF ART!



IT'S SOME-  
THING THAT  
WE COULD  
NEVER COPY,  
SOMETHING  
NEKOTA'S  
TALENT  
ALLOWS HIM  
TO DO!

THAT  
AMERICAN IS  
NOT A FOOL;  
IT'S SIMPLY  
THAT NEKOTA  
IS BETTER

... IT'S  
LIKE

YOU CAN  
NEVER  
TELL  
WHAT  
HE'LL DO  
NEXT

I HATE  
TO SAY  
IT, BUT  
HE'S  
RIGHT







NEKOTA  
- SAN!

GO-...  
GOOD  
LUCK



I'LL END IT  
IN THE NEXT  
ROUND  
-DANI

LEAVE IT  
TO ME  
DANI!



I'VE BEEN  
KEEPING IT  
GOING  
WAITING FOR  
YOU DANIYO

SO YOU  
FINALLY  
CAME



IF YOU  
TAKE  
EVEN  
ONE, IT'LL  
BE OVER  
FOR YOU

DON'T GET  
COCKY; YOU'RE  
FIGHTING A  
GUY WITH  
TONS OF  
POWER!



I'LL  
REST  
DANIYO

I KNOW, I  
KNOW



I CAN SEE  
YOU  
BREATHING  
FROM HERE!

STOP BLAB-  
BERING AND  
CATCH  
YOUR  
BREATH

AND YOU  
EVEN  
BROUGHT  
THE LOUD  
ONE DANI



NO.. HE'S  
EVEN  
BETTER  
THAN USUAL

HE'S NO DIFFER-  
ENT THAT  
USUAL



fair



S-,  
SURE

DANKICHI! TELL  
ME WHEN IT'S  
ABOUT TO  
START AGAIN  
DANI



THERE'S NO WAY A  
PUNCH DRUNKER COULD  
MANAGE MOVEMENTS  
LIKE THAT

I SUPPOSE IT WAS  
JUST MY  
IMAGINATION

MAYBE I WAS  
THINKING TOO  
MUCH INTO IT...




Don't be flustered

He just caught me  
off guard with the  
speed




Sergeant!

Are you OK,  
Sergeant!?



America will not  
be dethroned!!




No matter  
what, I will win!

I will not  
tarnish the stars and  
stripes

*His pride won't allow  
him to lose, no  
matter what*

*The Sergeant is  
misinterpreting pride  
for his country as a  
burden*



Sergeant Anderson  
is helpless against  
that Japanese  
man's speed



No matter what...

*You'd best be careful, my  
courageous Japanese  
friend*

*If he doesn't lose by KO,  
a loss by decision is  
inevitable*





BUT HE WAS  
SLEEPING



THEN YOU  
REALLY  
ARE...!!

NEKOTA...





# はじめての ボクシング

THE FIGHTING!

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